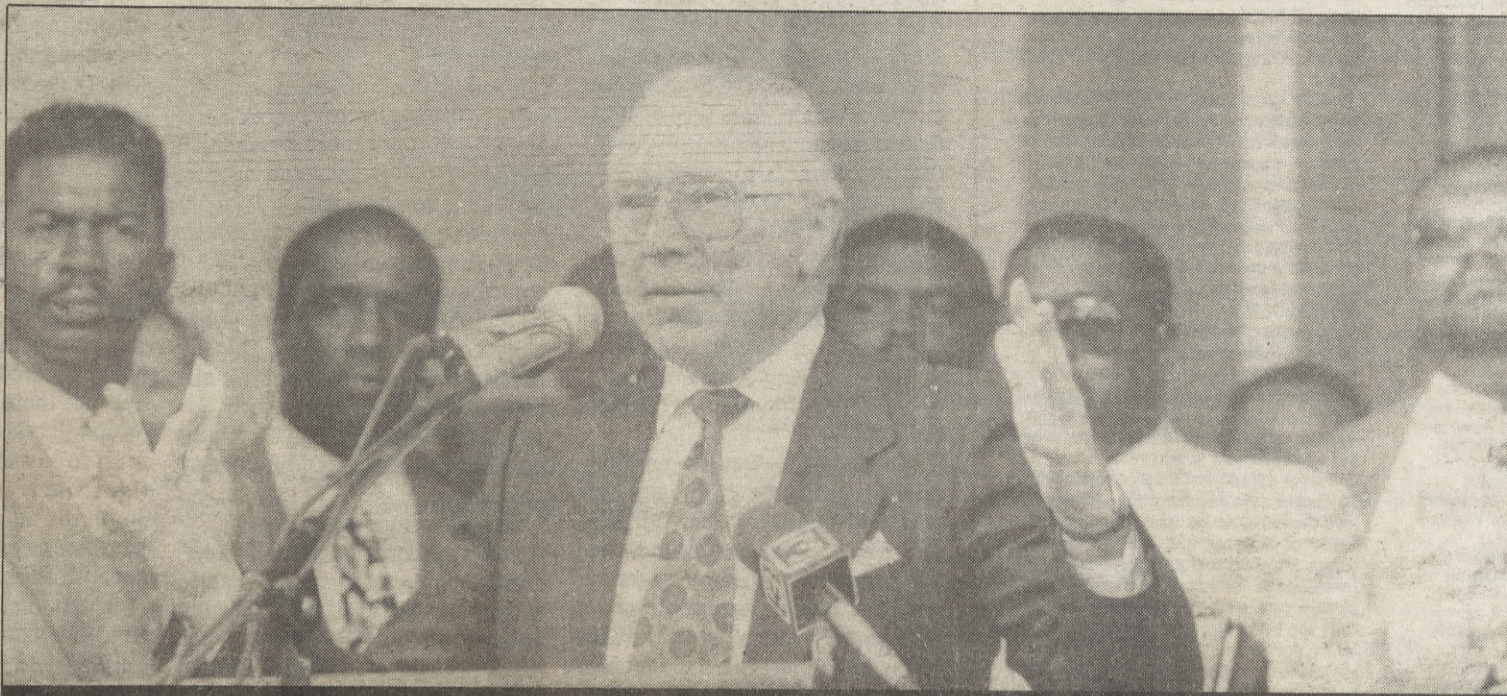


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Capitol hosts hate rally



"I don't know how much more of this I can take," MGW photographer Pam Coffey said as she turned away from a Traditional Values Coalition (TVC) lobby press conference at 9:30 a.m. on the west steps of the California State Capitol.

Coffey and other gay
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**Photo choices:
The Bee**

Dear Editor:

While we were all supporting our troops in the Persian Gulf, and praying for their safe and speedy return home, especially American P.O.W.s., we citizens need to be aware of major problems in our own city.

Sacramento, as well as a lot of other cities across our nation, has a serious hate crime problem. Three people have been killed in the downtown area of Sacramento alone in the past seven months, just because of their sexual preference.

I have been a victim of these hideous crimes three times in the past two years. This proves to me that this is a growing problem in this city. We, as a community, straight and gay, need to put a stop to this. This is started by informing citizens of our city.

When a person is murdered in Sacramento, it is a lot closer than the Persian Gulf or P.O.W.s. There have been too many hate crimes in Sacramento, even one is too many.

We know why our troops were and still are in the gulf, but it sure was not to fight for the front page of the *Bee*. Because of the March 15, *Sacramento Bee*, we know why Mr. Blades was murdered and we were made publicly aware of the hate crimes in Sacramento.

Hats off to the *Sacramento Bee* for keeping citizens informed, they did a wonderful job. The picture on the front cover "the gay mourner" is his friend who was with him, and that is me. I now hope Vincent Blades may rest in peace.

Donald Alger
Sacramento

Homophobia down?

Dear Editor:

Winnie Mandela has plainly been caught with her homophobia down! It is very unfortunate that her husband Nelson has so adamantly insisted upon her innocence. That tends to discredit him, too.

Glenn Rice

Not Christians

Dear Editor:

On Tuesday, May 21, I was walking around the Capitol and I happened upon a rally for the Traditional Values Coalition, which was headed by Reverend Lou Sheldon. They were rallying to defeat AB101. This bill extends rights and freedoms to homosexuals and other minorities.

As I listened and watched the reaction of the crowd. I first felt anger dual sadness, then petty toward these people. I had never in my life witnessed such open hatred. People holding signs such as "Homosexuality is society's cancer," and "AIDS is God's curse on homosexuals." Also a speaker talked about homosexuality as if it were a disease, and could be cured.

How can these people call themselves Christians? After all the origin of the word Christian, means to be Christ-like. Christ had unconditional love for all people. Yet these people come from a place of fear and hate. They seem to contradict both the teachings of Christ and the Declaration of Independence on

which this country was founded. (All men are created equal...)

One may argue that our forefathers did not intend to protect the rights of homosexuals. However, being that during that era, women were second class citizens, and many of our forefathers who signed the Declaration also owned slaves, then it would seem that black people and women were also not included by the forefathers.

However, our society has evolved and recognized the importance of extending all rights and privileges to people of color and women. And society has also started to recognize their contributions.

It seems to me that if we are to truly call ourselves a free and equal society we must extend all rights and privileges to all people, including homosexuals.

After all we (homosexuals) are taxpaying citizens and our contribution to society should also be recognized. We are also your children, brothers, sisters, aunts, uncles, and cousins. I believe all people should be treated with respect and dignity, and all Rights and Privileges extended to all our citizens.

So please support all equal rights by contacting your elected representatives. If we allow and accept one group such as homosexuals to be legally discriminated against, who's next? Please support AB101.

Thank you,

T. Sellers

**Drag Queens:
Hands on?**

In John Batchelor's *Flash* column in the May 1 issue he requested the "scoop" in relation to my alleged "inability to keep hands off the drag queens at Coronation," as well as my apparent "fondness for lace pantyhose and black teddies."

Well, John, far be it for me to stand in the way of good gossip due to nagging little issues like accuracy, but I didn't attend the Coronation. In fact, that evening I was at a crucial recreational meeting of the "Just Say 'Maybe' Club" and have about 50 witnesses.

While I have received some acclaim for my continued (humorous) quest for a Tasteful Drag Queen, I think you must have me confused with former Empress Stacey. Many people think we ARE the same person; as we have never been photographed together. And while Stacey is one of my favorite dragmistresses, I feel that I must, for the record, state that I look much more attractive in a low cut gown, and don't have to shave my chest to do so.

As to my fondness for racy undergarments, well, a girl's just got to have a FEW secrets.

Accurately yours,

Stacy Selmans

**Gay community
image**

Dear Editor:

I'm writing because I feel AB101 is destined to defeat at the Capitol, and in the last decade of the 20th century, one has to wonder why. I can't help but to believe that several things have contributed to a decline in gay rights issues and the so-called gay

movement.

1. Apathy amongst the community. Whether a feeling of hopelessness or lack of information, I feel there hasn't been a coordinated "register to vote" campaign nor any organized lobbying for AB101.

2. Nothing has done more to hurt the image of gay people and a positive gay movement than the coverage of drag shows and drag elections. It's not only a sickening image to the general public, but also a tragic waste of life. Even many gays are sickened by drag queens.

3. Instead of focusing on attempting to gain acceptance by becoming more integrated in society through academia, the arts, working with law enforcement and political authorities, the walls seem to be building higher. Instead of sending the message "we're gay, we're different," the message should be "we're human beings just like you; we just happen to be gay."

In Europe, gays and straights coexist incredibly well, primarily because there is little if any dramatic cries of "I'm gay, you must love and accept me or else," like there is here. There's not an emphasis on gay rights, gay parades, gay this or gay that; because European societies realize and accept that one's sexual orientation is relatively unimportant.

To a large extent the gay movement in this country and especially in Sacramento, is responsible for homophobia. How can we expect the rest of society to integrate gays if gays are so divided amongst themselves and insist on shrouding themselves under fluorescent capital letters "I'M GAY, I'M GAY." Who really cares? Sure there's prejudice, but there's prejudice against women, Jews, the handicapped and on and on. The fact that there are many who shout from the highest rooftops "I'm gay," only serves to create greater prejudice that is created by those who are doing the proclaiming.

We can no longer think of "straight" society as a target for change or as the enemy. We as gay people are simply a minority of American citizens.

Once a person accepts one's sexual identity and realizes that it's not necessary to spend precious years out of one's life trying to convince others of acceptance, life becomes far more meaningful, enjoyable and opportunities more available.

Thank you sincerely,

Scott R. Hadley

**Thanking us
with hatred!**

Dear Editor:

The following letter was sent to the *Sacramento Bee*...

Dear Sacramento Bee:

I am appalled by the story concerning the demonstration about AB 101 reported in today's newspaper. The issue presented at this rally was hatred and bigotry in its purest form. Several other factors strike me. First, Ralph Sampson spoke at the event. I and many of my friends have spent thousands of dollars at Kings' games. For a representative of that team to

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Cover story: Hate rally held

lesbian onlookers were aghast at what they termed misinformation, lack of understanding of the bill and blatant hatred expressed as rank after rank of African-American and other ministers spoke against AB 101, the Assembly bill sponsored by Terry Friedman, (D-Sherman Oaks), which would prevent discrimination in employment and housing on the basis of sexual orientation. Lou Sheldon, lobbyist for the TVC, orchestrated the event with minority Christians who were led to believe the bill is an assault on the American family and a way to usurp their own hard-won minority status. Most speakers continually termed homosexuality as a matter of "preference" or "choice."

With those ministers, led and whipped up by Rev. Phillip Goudeaux of Sacramento's Calvary Christian Center, also were the Rev. Juan Juarez representing the Latino community in the San Joaquin Valley, Rev. Raymond Quong of the Chinese Family Alliance of San Francisco and Dr. P.T. Mennen, Chairman of the Federation of Indo-American Associations.

After the speeches Sheldon confirmed homosexuality as a matter of choice, "in all the years of scientific investigation," he said, "a homosexual gene has never been found." He vowed that if AB 101 passes in the legislature and is signed by the Governor, "we will proclaim a ballot measure." He later corrected himself and said that TVC would seek "a constitutional amendment, not a referendum so we can

mates ranging from 800 to 1,200, and took up their already-prepared signs. Tables were set up to register voters and allow people to sign petitions. Balloons and music floated on the air toward the blankets spread on the lawn and mingled with voices raised over picnic lunches. A school bus from Grant Union High School District pulled up and the band and

the climate where people like these go out and bash and kill gays -- it's frightening."

Laurie McBride of the LIFE lobby termed what was being said as, "Lies, distortions, deliberate misinformation and a rally about issues that are not even addressed in this bill. These people are being stirred up and mislead so that Lou Sheldon can



Photo by Pam Coffey

Sacramento's Grant H.S. Pacer Posse marching band performed during the Traditional Values Coalition, Stop AB101, rally

music director marched to the steps and performed a 20 minute set kicking off the afternoon speeches. Nancy Avery, was appalled. "How can they justify spending taxpayers' money and release these kids from school to make an anti-freedom statement," she asked. Valerie Tibbett said, "I'm absolutely outraged that state taxpayers money, school buses, school uniforms, school kids being used to promote hate -- and these kids and their band leader don't even know why they were here."

Speakers like Beverly LeHay of the Concerned Women of America told the crowd that the American family is under attack -- that homosexuality is an acquired behavior, that soon pederasts, practitioners of bestiality and other deviant behaviors like child molesting would be seeking the same rights. Senator Tim Leslie said the issue of rights for homosexuals "unites the races like no other issue." Another speaker complained that "government is elevating a behavior-based group to full minority status." A Rev. Sherwood Carthen said, "I am appalled that minorities are equated with dysfunctional behavior -- that they would equate me with a sodomite." Still others called the gay community "a cesspool of diseases -- two or three percent of the population have 50 percent of the sexual diseases and 60 percent of AIDS just because of their behavior -- we have to help them by not passing that bill and keep diseases and lifestyles out of our schools." For the sports fans there was even an appearance by Ralph Sampson of the Sacramento Kings basketball team.

Rev. Jerry Sloan of the Lambda Community Center stood with a small group of activists protesting the rally. They watched as the crowd broke up and followed instructions to "go inside and lobby your legislators and tell them you're against this Godless bill." Sloan said, "I find it ironic that the same Bible that proved the righteousness of slavery is now being used by the descendants of slaves to justify limiting the civil rights of gay people to jobs and housing." Rand Martin, aide to Assemblymember Terry Friedman said, "This kind of thing foment

line his own pockets."

Willis Bennett and Robert Bequette, video crew for the Lambda News Network (LNN) Rainbow Report were filming in the midst of the rally. Bequette said, "The hatred was a physical thing -- you could literally feel it up there." Bennett was grim when he said, "If this thing doesn't get our community off their duffs and out doing something about this -- I give up."

Grant Union High School musical director, Maurice Jenkins was shocked and obviously shaken to find he had performed at a political rally and to find himself questioned about it. Later, school principal Richard Owen was apologetic and embarrassed. "Our band director feels he was used -- and he was," Owen said. We got a flyer announcing a family day celebration. Our kids are 80 to 90% at risk kids and a family day was something that would be good for them. Our kids are asked to play everywhere. They've played at the Chinese New Year's Festival in San Francisco, the East West Shrine Game -- they've even been asked to go to Japan. That will cost \$1100 apiece and there was some kind of promise that if they played at the family day the promoters would help the Boosters Club with that fundraising," Owen said. "I can guarantee that private

How far will they go?

How far will the likes of Lyndon La Rouch, Jesse Helms and Lou Sheldon go? Is it not bad enough that adults are subject to the vicious hate and contempt that these individuals and those like them display? When do we as lesbians and gays, as citizens of the community, as HUMAN BEINGS say enough is enough? Is it when impressionable children are blatantly used to spread the malignancy that these individuals sew? How is our society ever going to accept the diversities in culture, race and sexual orientations if we allow the cancerous tumors of today's society to negatively influence tomorrow's leaders, the children of today? So, when is enough ENOUGH? Isn't the pink triangle, the symbolic remembrance of yesterday's persecutions, enough to persuade the gay community to wage war against this diseased society and all its parasites and develop a better and more tolerant society? When do we finally realize ENOUGH IS ENOUGH! After all, how far will THEY REALLY go?

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individuals and not public dollars will be used to cover the expenses of this appearance." (It was later revealed that Jenkins and Owen were paying the transportation costs out of their own pockets.)

"In addition we've now prepared a questionnaire to be used by any group that wants our band to make an appearance so we can be sure there is no political agenda," Owens said. I can't apologize enough -- if we had known what this was, we would never have participated," he said. "However, it was a powerful learning experience for some of our kids -- they were really angry at the things that were being said -- they're at risk kids and they know hate when they hear it," Owen said.

"I'm writing letters of apology to the Lambda Center, and to gay and lesbian organizations including the Lobby for Individual Freedom and Equality (LIFE) which is sponsoring the bill," Owen said.▼

Cover story by M.R. Richards of MGW Staff. Cover Photos by Pam Coffey. Cover photos: (Top) Lou Sheldon addressing participants at the Traditional Values Coalition Rally at the California State Capitol. (Bottom) Rally participant raising arms to show support of speaker during anti-homosexual speech.

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thank us by displaying hatred and bigotry against gays and lesbians is an affront to freedom-loving people of all races and sexual orientations.

Second, AB 101, if anyone took the time to read it, does NOT grant any special favors to gays and lesbians. It simply tries to stop bigots like Sampson from denying gays the opportunity to live their lives in peace, free from hatred and bigotry.

Third, a public school band was used for a purely political event. If this is not now against the law, it certainly should be. I

do not believe taxpayers' moneys should be used to subsidize such an event. And even if the school is reimbursed ... who reimburses the minds of the children that are poisoned by the bigotry displayed by the speakers.

Demonstrations like the one against AB 101 are the spark that ignites the flames of hatred against gays, and results in gay bashings and murder. It is time that those of us who are gay and who have lived quietly in the community, paying our taxes and supporting the Sacramento economy, step forward and say "enough is enough." I for one am willing to do so, and I

challenge others in positions of responsibility to do likewise. For my part, I vow to never again attend a Kings game until Sampson is gone. I will not support a bigot's salary. Sincerely,

George P. Smith

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Scouting's tradition of exclusion

by David Welton
OF MGW STAFF

If stubborn persistence were one of the scout laws, the Boy Scouts of America would be living by their credo. Lately it seems that BSA has spent more time and money in court trying to protect its discriminatory policies than doing the obligatory "good turn daily."

Timothy Curran, 29, an openly gay Berkeley troop leader, was removed by Scouting officials 10 years ago because of his sexual orientation. Recently, in the second phase of the trial, Los Angeles Superior court Judge Sally Disco ruled that BSA is entitled to prevent him from becoming an adult member. The long awaited decision was an unexpected upset, given her encouraging first phase decision.

In the earlier phase of the hearing Judge Disco ruled that the Boy Scout's Bay Area-based Mount Diablo Council is a business, not a private organization. The council therefore is governed by the state's Unruh Civil Rights Act, which forbids arbitrary discrimination.

The recent ruling appears to contradict the earlier ruling. Judge Disco felt that the U.S. Constitution prevents California from satisfying the state's "compelling interest in eradicating discrimination in all forms" because to do so would interfere with BSA's "ability to achieve its expressive goals." Jon W. Davidson, ACLU senior staffer and lead counsel in the case, was astonished, "I think many people are going to be surprised with Judge Disco's conclusion that part of the mission of the Boy Scouts is to be anti-gay."

Judge Disco apparently accepts BSA's position that one of the goals of scouting is to teach that homosexuality is immoral. Judge Disco held that BSA has a right to "get across its preferred message in its preferred way."

"This is a bogus claim. Scouting doesn't teach that homosexuality is immoral -- or anything at all about homosexuality," Curran said.

"In fact, scouting hardly teaches anything about sexuality."

Over 33 million copies of the Official BSA Handbook have been printed since 1911. Nowhere is there any discussion of homosexuality. In the latest edition of the Handbook the only reference regarding sexuality reads: "You are maturing sexually. As a young man you are capable of becoming a father."

George Davidson (not related to Jon Davidson), BSA attorney in the Curran case, claims that Scouting has interpreted the words "morally straight" to mean homosexuality is not allowed. The Handbook defines "morally straight" as: "To be a person of strong character, guide your life with honesty, purity and justice. Respect and defend the rights of all people."

The ruling is especially interesting in light of biographical information regarding Lord Baden-Powell, founder of the Scouting movement.

In a 670-page biography, *The Boy-Man: The Life of Lord Baden-Powell* (1990), author Tim Jeal argues, "The available evidence points inexorably to the conclusion that Baden-Powell was a repressed homosexual." Information gleaned from Baden-Powell's diary and correspondence is cited as evidence.

Other authors also suggest Baden-Powell's homosexuality: Piers Brendon in *Eminent Edwardians* (1979) and Michael Rosenthal in *The Character Factory: Baden-Powell and the Origins of the Boy Scout Movement* (1986).

The Big Brother/Big sister organization recognizes the positive contribution gay and lesbian volunteers offer youth as role models. But BSA continues to fight for their right to exclude openly gay members.

Davidson just doesn't get it. "They (BSA) are fighting very hard to keep these exclusionary policies. It's a sad day when a judge concludes that the Constitution gives such an organization a 'right' to

model hatred and intolerance to the youth of our country."

Religious and gender-based discrimination disputes are also currently pending against BSA in California.

Twin brothers Michael and William Randall, expelled from their Anaheim Cub Scout Pack for refusing to recite the word "God" in the scouting oath, are pressing BSA's religious discrimination policy.

And an uprising is brewing in the small Sierra town of Quincy involving female scout members. The Quincy troop is contesting a Nevada Area Council (Reno-based) policy that allows girl members, but prohibits girls from becoming Eagle Scouts -- BSA's highest rank. The troop is seeking legal advice from the ACLU.

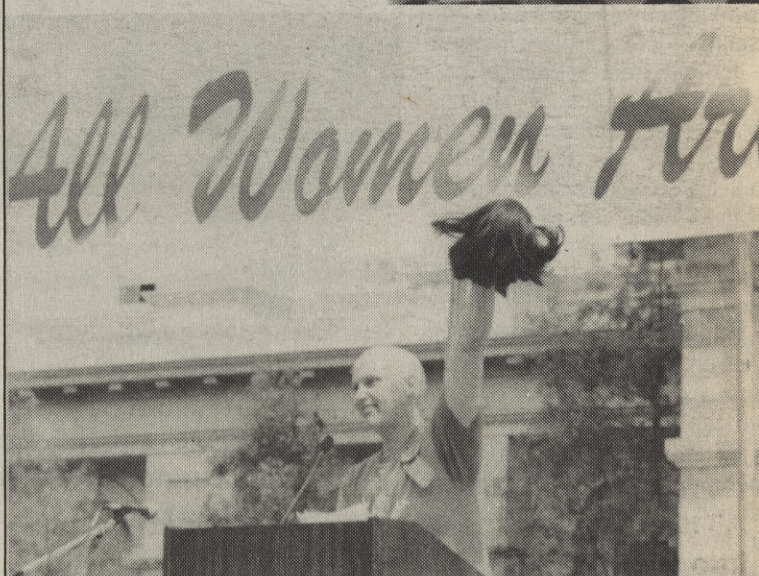
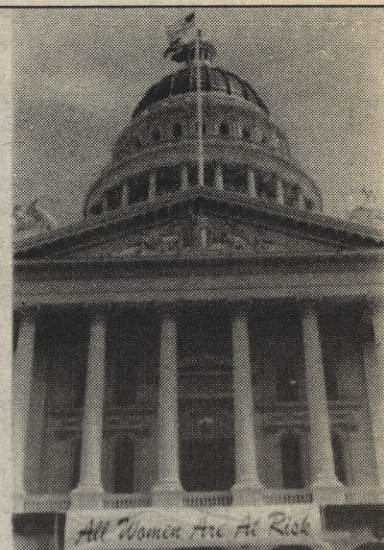
Nevada Area Council executive Donald L. York claims that BSA has a right to set its own standards -- including the exclusion of women. "These issues go beyond no girls, that includes a strong belief in God, no homosexuals and no girls," he said.

ACLU attorney Davidson represents both Curran and the Randall brothers. "The strangest thing is that Tim Curran and the Randall brothers are fighting to be involved in BSA," he says. "It's not that they think BSA is a bad organization. Actually they think it's a good organization, one they'd like to be a part of. They are being told 'we don't want your kind.'"

"They (BSA) have been incredibly tenacious. Part of the reason the Curran case has gone on so long is because of how hard they have fought. BSA has tried to take the case to both the California Supreme Court and the U.S. Supreme Court -- they just don't give up easily," says Davidson.

Curran remains hopeful, "I have faith that, eventually, the Boy Scout's leadership will be forced to treat all people with equal dignity." The ACLU will appeal Judge Disco's decision. ▼

"All Women Are At Risk"



Photos by Pamela Coffey

Several groups, including Sacramento Lesbians Creating Change (SLCC), the Lambda Center and Act-Up/Golden Gate supported Ellen Hobbs, rally organizer, in an effort to join AIDS and Breast Cancer activists together to fight for more health care funding.



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Dr.'s Office Vandalized

Dr. Elizabeth Harrison's office was vandalized during the early morning hours of May 21.

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by Keith Clark
OF MGW STAFF

Stanford students having more sex, using condoms less

PALO ALTO, Calif. -- According to a recently released 1990 survey by Stanford University's health department the students on campus are drinking alcohol less than they did four years ago, having sex more often, yet doing little to help prevent the spread of sexually transmitted diseases.

According to Stanford spokeswoman Theresa Johnston, the number of students who drank alcohol dropped from 93 percent in 1986 to 83 percent in the 1990 survey. Some 76 percent of the students surveyed last year reported being sexually active compared with only 66 percent in the earlier survey.

Even so, of the 1,250 students surveyed last year who were sexu-

ally active, over two thirds said they did not always use condoms, and only 13 percent said they "insisted on condom use." The Stanford survey results reinforce other studies around the country that indicate Americans under the age of 25 are in fact the least likely age group to use condoms during sex. ▼

Doing something for the music world

SAN FRANCISCO -- When JoAnn Falletta entered the graduate program at the Julliard School of Music nearly a decade ago and announced that she wanted to concentrate on orchestral conducting, she was told, point blank, that her proposal was out of the question. The good gentlemen at Julliard told her: Choral conducting, maybe, but - as she already knew only too well - women didn't conduct orchestras.

Falletta says that, although she now believes her Julliard counselors had her best interests at heart, it

took her a year just to convince them to let her proceed with her conducting studies - studies that have led her to the conductor's baton at the Denver Chamber Orchestra, the Queens Philharmonic, the Long Beach Symphony. And she has just been named music director of the Virginia Symphony - in addition to her simultaneous post as conductor (and driving force) at the Bay Area Women's Philharmonic (BAWP), the only all-women's orchestra in the country.

As if to have the last laugh in a musical joke, while many smaller and medium-sized symphony orchestras around the country are going belly up (like the Denver Symphony in 1989), BAWP's companion organization, the National Women Composers Center has recently received a \$50,000 grant from the Rockefeller Foundation and \$300,000 from the Whitaker Fund to support the works of women composers.

Live performance of BAWP remain Falletta's primary love - or more correctly - passion. And as almost every season's concerts clearly show, that passion is diverse and all-embracing.

"We are united in the common effort of bringing women's music to the public's attention," Falletta said. "While many orchestras flounder around not knowing why they're playing, we're confident that we're doing something for the music world that the public responds to - and that eventually will benefit other orchestras as well. ▼

Lesbians may be happier, healthier than married women

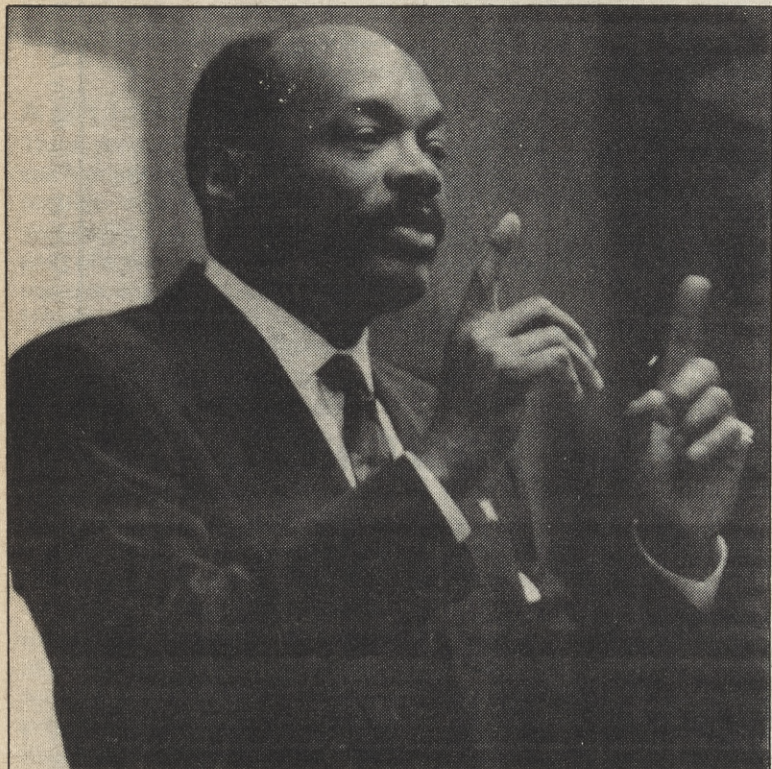
TORONTO -- Lesbians and other women eschewing the much-touted blessings of wedded bliss may find the results of a recent Canadian university study vindication for their lifestyles - although the picture for gay men and other bachelor males

is not nearly so rosy. The University of Guelph study by sociologist Anne Martin-Matthews and psychologist Joan Norris, indicates that older women who never married are generally happier, richer, better educated and more successful in their careers than their married counterparts.

On the other hand, men who never married turned out to be a pretty sorry lot according to the study results. They were, as a group, in poorer health, had lower incomes and educational levels, maintained fewer friendships and had weaker family relationships than men who had married. ▼

Stanford delays partner benefits for faculty and staff

PALO ALTO, Calif. -- The faculty senate at Stanford University postponed adopting a proposal to extend domestic partner benefits to lesbian and gay employees compa-



Brown addresses RCDC

Photo by Pam Coffey

Assembly speaker Willie Brown spoke candidly to the River City Democratic Club. Brown reacted to the TVC rally by saying he felt that his Capitol colleagues will not be effected by Sheldon's antics. He felt there would still be a positive vote for AB101, and that the Governor will probably sign it into law.

Rights legislation still marginal

by M.R. Richards
OF MGW STAFF

Sacramento, CA -- Capitol insiders are at a loss to explain last week's front page story in The San Francisco Examiner which stated that AB 101, the bill which would prevent discrimination in jobs and housing because of sexual orientation, is virtually assured of passage.

Alan Lofaso of the Lobby for Individual Freedom and Equality (LIFE), the gay and lesbian lobby said, "The Examiner story was wrong. The bill is not a shoo-in in the Assembly -- we need to work very hard to get this through and we need every telephone call, every letter, every signed petition we can get in order to make it happen."

Some reports pointed Speaker Willie Brown's appointment to the Assembly Ways and Means Committee of moderate Assemblymember William Filante (R-San Raphael) as significant and a vote for AB 101. The bill is currently on suspense until some budget issues are resolved and will then come back to Ways and Means for a vote.

Filante replaced Orange County Republican John Lewis who was elected to the State Senate. At a press conference Brown denied there

was any connection with AB 101 in the appointment and stated that he took into consideration "seniority and regional balance issues" in making the choice. However, in a talk at Sacramento's gay and les-

bian River City Democratic Club later in the week Brown said, "I think AB 101 can pass in committee and I think Bill Filante will vote

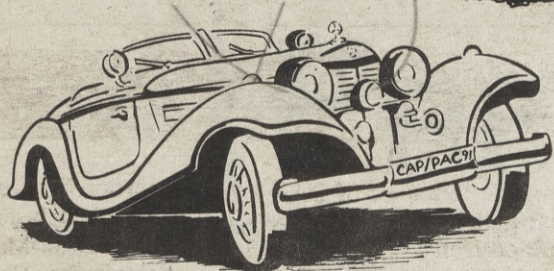
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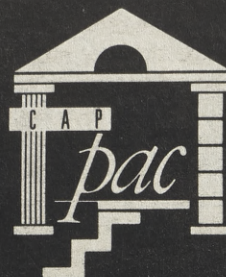
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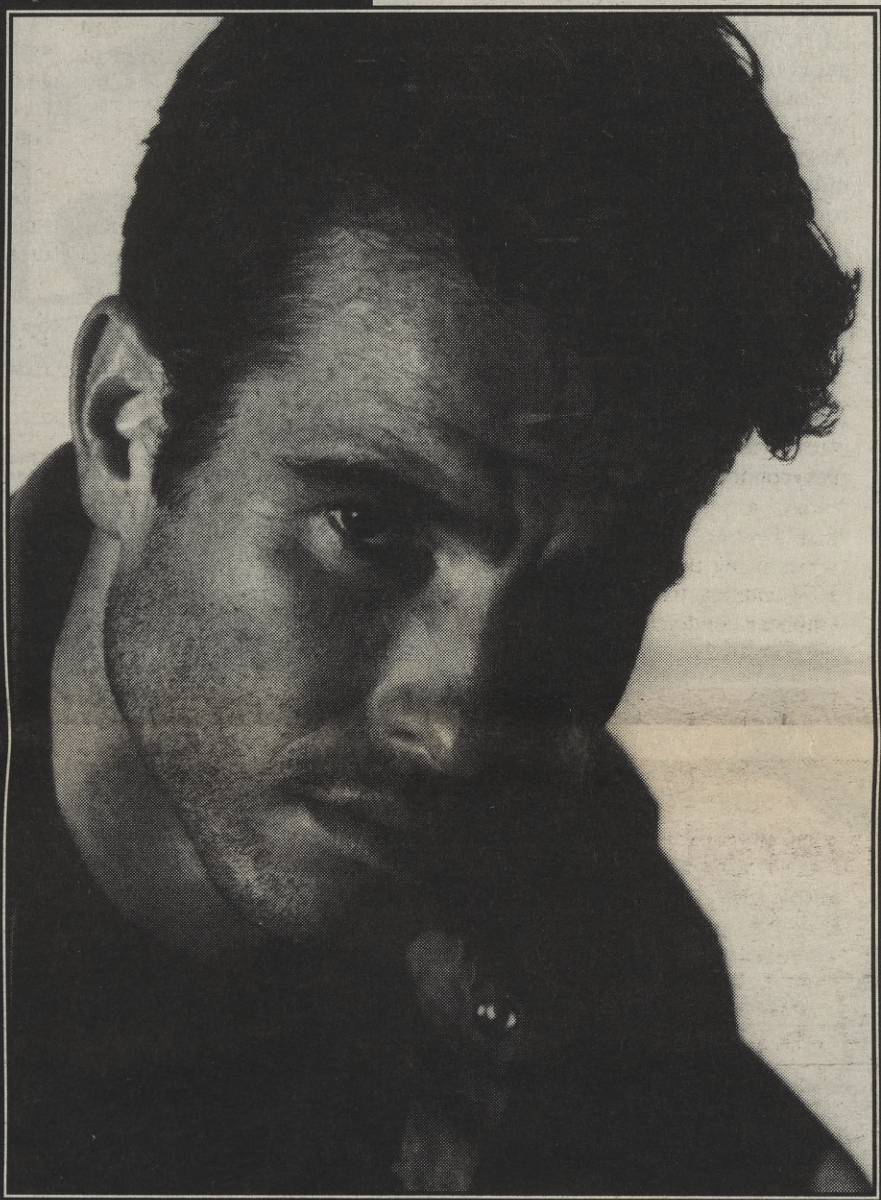
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by Sonya Cox
MGW HIV EDITOR

A gift turns to tragedy...

Three people have died of AIDS and four others thus far have tested positive with the HIV virus six years after receiving donated organs of a young Virginia man who was shot in a service station holdup. He apparently became positive so soon after his death that tests on his donated tissues still showed negative, when in fact he was positive. The tragedy has brought to light the fact that the mother of the young man, to the best of her knowledge, says she signed papers authorizing the use only of her son's heart, kidneys, and spine for one particular patient. Authorities have now told her she authorized the use of all body tissues, and they are now searching for more than four dozen people in 16 states who received his tissues. The mother is furious that either they took more than was authorized, or they took advantage of her emotional state and had her sign a different document.

Healthy Living Programs...

* Thursday, June 6, 7-9, Dealing with Dementia, at the AIDS Foundation

* Tuesday, July 16, 7-10, Highlights of the 7th International AIDS Conference in Florence, panel headed by Dr. Neil Flynn, at UCD Med Center auditorium.

* Monday, August 5, 7-9, Fears, Facts, Feelings about AIDS, at the AIDS Foundation

Ten years into the epidemic...

* More than 22,000 Californians have died from HIV disease
* It's estimated that as many as

HIV can't pass through rubber...

Santa Barbara County supervisors recently voted to require sellers of natural (lambskin) condoms to warn

HIV Resources

AIDS Response Programs (STOP AIDS, Being Alive, other support and education get-togethers), call Lambda Community Center at 442-0185;

Support for Partners, Family or Friends, Mon., 6-8, 1900 22nd St.; Anonymous Testing for HIV, Capitol Health Center, Wed. & Thurs., 8-5, call for appt: 366-2922;

Confidential testing and drug treatment, The Effort, call for appt: 446-6467;

Positive Social Support Newsdigest (PSSN): every other month, call Lambda for subscription (442-0185) or pick up a copy at Lambda or local newsstands;

Project Inform hotline (answers to all your questions!): 1-800-334-7422;

HIV+ Latinos support group: every other Mon., 6pm, call AIDS Foundation at 448-2437;

Stop Smoking clinic, Tues., 6:30-8, CARES Clinic, 443-3299.

River City AIDS Center, Community Resource for persons with AIDS, Metropolitan Community Church, 454-4752.▼

MCC People Together, Tues., 7:30-9, Metropolitan Community Church social hall, support for people with HIV as well as other diseases, call 454-4762;

Women with HIV support group, Tues., 6:30-8pm, 2nd floor, AIDS Foundation, 1900 K Street, with Donna Robertson;

Mother's Support for moms of people who've died or who have AIDS, Tues., 1:30, 2nd floor, AIDS Foundation, with Frances Wright;

HIV-Positive support group for men (with facilitator), 1st & 3rd Weds., 7:30-9, Sierra II, 2791 24th St. (across Broadway); same group without facilitator, men's informal group, 2nd, 4th & 5th Weds., 7-8:30, at CARES Clinic, 443-3299;

Alternative Treatments Workshop, 2nd Sat., 2pm, Sutter General, 486-2566;

HIV/ARC/AIDS Support, 2nd & 4th Sat., 1pm, Sutter General, 924-15620;

Information on safe sex (Buddy Connection Workshops), call Sacramento AIDS Foundation, M-F, 9-5, 448-2437;

300,000 Californians are infected with the HIV virus

* 20 percent of all reported AIDS cases in the nation are in California

* The number of Californians living with AIDS increased 94 percent (nearly doubled) between 1989 and 1991

customers that the product may not prevent transmission of the HIV virus. A Santa Barbara businessman says he contracted the virus while using this type of condom. HIV cannot pass through latex (rubber) condoms when they are used properly.

Ozone therapy...

Basil Wainwright, who has been trying to persuade people with AIDS to purchase ozone machines from his company, has been indicted by a federal grand jury for fraud. He was selling ozone machines to people for as much as \$7,500 each. The indictment calls ozone "a toxic gas with no known useful medical applications."

DDI finally being reviewed...

Data on DDI is finally being reviewed by the Food and Drug Administration following Bristol-Myers Squibb's submission of a new drug application. The application is being submitted in sections to speed the process. When approved, the drug, to be sold under the name Videx, will be the second approved therapy, together with AZT, to slow the progression of AIDS.

Sacramento contingent in SF parade...

Eleven groups so far have signed up to march together in the San Francisco Gay and Lesbian Freedom Day Parade on Sunday, June 30. One huge float will lead the Sacramento contingent, followed by marchers from the various groups.

If any volunteers would like to help in the construction of the float or would like to be monitors for the float and the marchers, please contact Robert Becker at 442-2686 or Jim Maxwell at 739-1710.

Confidentiality rights...

As the Federal Government tries to create rules for health care workers,

individual states are starting to pass laws that will adversely affect the direction of AIDS. In Texas, the legislature has tentatively passed a law requiring both doctors and their patients to tell each other if they're HIV positive. Surgeons and dentists will lose their licenses if they don't disclose their infections, and patients who lie will receive a fine. In Tacoma, University of Washington officials are considering barring people with HIV from performing surgery. If adopted, this proposal would force students with the virus to change their course of study — from surgery to another field such as family medicine.

Women still not recognized...

Activists for ACT-UP say the Centers for Disease Control still refuses to change its HIV classification system, which dates back to 1987, and won't change the official "AIDS case definitions." The definitions continue to primarily include opportunistic infections that strike gay men, and not any of the infections that are striking women and children. Consequently, many people are dying without getting benefits they should have been entitled to. In addition, the CDC's official statistics showing AIDS deaths are becoming more and more inaccurate, giving the nation the wrong perception of the toll this epidemic is actually taking.

Thank you to Dr. Bary Siegel for his medical oversight of this column and to Dr. Elizabeth Harrison for her continuing contributions to its content.▼



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CHICAGO '91, will take place on July 19-21 in Chicago, Illinois. This conference is sponsored by the Chicago Gay and Lesbians Members of Alcoholics Anonymous. For information: Chicago '91, 606 West Barry #196, Chicago, Illinois 60657.

Short fiction by women wanted

Submissions are being accepted for *Short Fiction by Women* writers. The magazine needs short stories, novellas and novel excerpts. Payment will be based on length and funds available. The magazine will own first serial rights only. Writers should submit one typed, double-spaced manuscript and include a SASE for return of manuscript. Send submissions to: Rachel Whalen, Editor, *Short Fiction By Women*, Box 1276 Stuyvesant Station, New York, NY, 10009. ▽

Hospital extends spousal benefits to gay staffers

Gay and lesbian employees of a major New York medical center, Montefiore Medical Center, will be able to receive spousal benefits, including health insurance. This new policy is restricted to employees and their partners "who are unable, by law, to marry because of laws prohibiting marriage of persons of the same sex."

Changes such as these are com-

ing at a time when more employees are identifying themselves as members of nontraditional families. Other problems such as the benefits for surviving partners of gay/lesbian relationships are still being fought for on legal levels. ▽

Defending your afterlife

According to the Gallup Poll, more Americans than polled in the past believe in heaven and hell, and believe that they are far more likely to go to the former rather than the latter.

President Bush's Chief of Staff, John Sununu, has warned NEA director John Frohnmayer to stay away from exciting controversy among conservatives. But according to director Haynes, the film deals frankly with harsh issues precisely because that is the reality of prison life.

-- Los Angeles Times ▽

Gay discharged from Air Force eligible for unemployment

An administrative law judge reversed a decision of the California Employment Development Department which had denied unemployment compensation benefits to a man discharged from the Air Force after he stated he was gay.

Jody Brakefield, age 20, was initially denied unemployment benefits because the Air Force contended that individuals discharged for homosexuality were ineligible for benefits ordinarily granted to ex-

servicemembers. Brakefield's successful appeal establishes that the military cannot discharge servicemembers for homosexuality and then turn around and deny them unemployment benefits for no longer being in the armed services. ▽

An exotic gay subculture is poignant under security

With camera in hand, Jeannie Livingston, arrived in New York, ready to study film. In the summer of 1985 she wandered through Washington Square Park, and noticed some young men "voguing." She was mesmerized from first glance. From there she ventured on a four year journey, capturing on film, the exotic life of the gay male community. Mostly focusing on the world of "drag queens."

Her award winning documentary, *Paris is Burning*, features a candid look at the men, mostly black and hispanic, in the gay community who fascinate their peers and shock main stream society off their feet by competing in "drag queen" shows. Their personalities are as diverse as the costumes themselves. Each "drag queen" shapes and creates his art to the most impressive and optimum illustration of a woman.

This film will also be released internationally in Japan, Israel, France, Denmark, and Australia. ▽

Transsexual DJ

Exeter, England -- The Kinks' old hit about Lola, who "walks like a woman but talks like a man," is not

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AIDS update

Gay S.F. police officer asks for AIDS disability

by Keith Clark
OF MGW STAFF

SAN FRANCISCO -- In what may be the first cases of its type in the country, an openly gay officer with the San Francisco Police Department has filed a disability claim, contending that he has contracted AIDS from a 1984 scuffle with a suspect during an arrest.

Inspector Thomas Cady began filing the disability claims last October for various medical expenses associated with HIV-related treatment, although to date the police department has rejected the disability claims and Cady's request for a hearing on his disability has languished for months now.

Cady says part of the reason for the delay is the fact that he is believed to be the first openly gay police officer to claim an AIDS disability resulting from a work injury. "They think I'm some fag-

got who went and got AIDS on my own and now I'm trying to take the City for disability," he said.

The police officer also says he believes there is a long-standing resentment against him because of highly-publicized sexual orientation discrimination complaint he filed against the police department in 1981 when he was still a probationary officer. "There's resentment going on from 10 years ago," he says. Cady claims he was infected during the 1984 arrest of Lyle Julius, who later told police he had AIDS although he has never been tested for the virus. During a struggle between the two men while Cady was trying to arrest Julius, Cady says the two men were both bleeding. "Definitely the virus could have been transferred that way," Cady says in his claim.

In his current disability claims, Cady's 1984 police report indicates that in fact Julius was taken to a hospital for treatment of a head

abrasion and to have a cut to his right arm sutured. In a letter supporting Cady's claim, Dr. Harvey Tucker, a pulmonary specialist at Pacific Presbyterian Medical Center here, wrote, "It is most probable that ... he [Cady] became infected with the HIV virus" during the 1984 struggle.

Julius is currently serving a seven-year term for voluntary manslaughter but has never been tested for HIV.

Police department officials have declined to comment on Cady's case directly or his charges of foot-dragging, but Deputy City Attorney Dan Maguire, who is handling the case, said, "It's going to be a medical question as to whether his current disability related to the incident he cites in 1984. It will boil down to whether it's probable or not."

An appeal hearing on Cady's claims is expected to begin shortly here to determine the medical probability of the officer's claim. ▼

media watch

Praise to New York Times

The *New York Times* has recently done a good job of covering lesbian and gay issues. On Wednesday, March 27, the *Times* ran a front page story on a Bronx Hospital's decision to give gay couples spousal benefits. On Sunday, March 24, it ran a sensitive piece on how a lesbian custody case could "redefine parenthood."

Another issue included an article about the growing trend for newspapers to include lesbian and gay couples on their marriage announcements. Another featured a well written article on "Paris Is Burning", a documentary about a subculture of gay people of color.

Commend the *Times* for its improvement. Write to Max Frankel, Executive Editor *New York Times*, 229 West 43 Street New York, NY 10036. ▼

Same Sex in Minneapolis Star

The *Minneapolis Star - Tribune* has become the fourth [and the largest] daily paper in the country to begin running same sex announcements. Response from their readership has been evenly divided for and against the new policy. Convey your support of the policy to the *Minneapolis Star-Tribune*, 425 Portland Ave. Minneapolis, Mn 55488; tel. 612-372-4141. ▼

Yeah! Class

A new movie *Class Action*, includes a lesbian attorney among its minor characters. Her lesbianism is accepted by her co-workers. She is referred to as being 'married' to her lover, Cindy. Her character is integrated casually into the story. Write to Michael Apted, 20th Century Fox, P.O. Box 900, Beverly Hills, Ca 90213 or call 213-277-2211. ▼

San Francisco Peninsula Parent

San Francisco Peninsula Parent newspaper regularly includes calendar and 'parenting resources' sections, neither of which list lesbian/gay/bisexual items. Send the paper calendar and resource listings relevant to our community; let them know that they are failing to tap a big market of readers. Write to Lisa Rosenthal, Editor or Marlene Douglas, Publisher, San Francisco Peninsula Parent, P.O. 1280, Millbrae, Ca. 94030. ▼

Fag gets 2,000

Kevin Fowler, who demanded compensation from Ogden Allied Corp. after one of the firm's guards called him a fag near a boarding gate at LAX airport, received 2,000 from the company. Fowler had objected to the guard's use of the word in a conversation Fowler overheard as he passed by. The

guard replied, "you must be a fag too." When Fowler asked for the guard's name, he concealed his badge. As Fowler left, the guard called in a effeminate voice, "don't forget to report it." Fowler did so, citing the L.A. city ordinance against discrimination based on sexual orientation. Of the 2,000 he received, he gave half to GLAAD OF L.A.. Don't forget, San Francisco prohibits sexual orientation discrimination too. ▼

Gay teen suicide

On Tuesday, April 30, KGO-TV [Channel 7] aired a good report by Cheryl Jennings on the weekly 'Bay Area Focus' segment of its News at Five, title "Kids on the edge." The story focused on gay teen suicide, its causes, warning signs and preventative measures. It profiled gay suicide victim Bobby Griffith and his regretful but active gay-rights advocate Mary. The story included quotes from a U.S. Department of Health and Human Services report that indicated that gay teens are 2-3 times more likely to attempt suicide than straight teens and that suicide is the leading cause of death for gay teens. The report also made reference to Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays [PFLAG]. Write to Jim Topping, President and General Manager KGO-TV, 900 Front St., San Francisco, Ca. 94111. ▼

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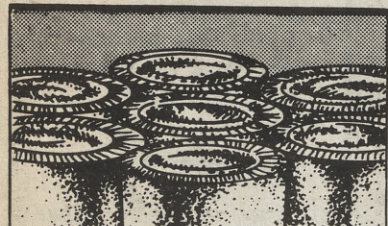
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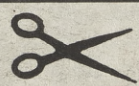
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Romanovsky & Phillips at The Palms

Singer/songwriters Romanovsky & Phillips will return to Davis to celebrate Lesbian/Gay Pride Month, as well as the release of their fourth album, *Be Political, Not Polite*, with a concert at The Palms, Saturday, June 29, 8:30pm. Tickets are \$9 and are available at Barney's.

For information: 505-989-8647; Palms 756-8502.▼

Massage Awareness Day

More than 50 Sacramento Massage Therapists and Bodyworkers will be under the trees with their tables in McKinley Park on Saturday, June 1 from 10am-4pm. These bodywork practitioners will provide 15-minute therapeutic massage treatments to the general public for \$5.

Organized by Sacramento Massage Therapists and Bodyworkers

Association (SMTBA) and sponsored by the Possible Society of California (PSC), the purpose of Massage Awareness Day is to promote community awareness of the benefits of ethical massage.

Mayor Anne Rudin has declared June 1, 1991 as "Massage Awareness Day."

For information: Mary Kay Ferreter, 455-6414, or John Sibbet 457-8108.▼

Awards funds for local arts projects

The Sacramento City Council and County Board of Supervisors awarded \$549,119 in grants to 43 local non-profit organizations through the Sacramento Cultural Awards Program, administered by the Sacramento Metropolitan Arts Commission.

Grants of \$952 to \$17,349 were awarded to arts projects that meet high standards of quality, respond to the needs and interest of the community and promote cross-cultural exchange.

Included in the awards are: Jazzworks, \$14,335.20; Sacramento Chorale, \$2,325.95; Sacramento Master Singers, \$2,889; Sacramento Men's Chorus, \$11,800.▼

Workshops for women

The Sacramento Women's Center is presenting two half day workshops for women; "We're On A Contract For Hire," on June 1 and "Home Alone: Everything You Wanted To Know About A Home Based Business," on June 8. Both workshops will run from 8:30am-12noon, at 2306 J Street, #200.

Space is limited. Call 441-4207 for further information.▼

Legislative information

Legislative information is accessible free through your personal computer. Capitol Information Service, a Sacramento based group posts initiatives, bills, biographies of politicians, lobbyist directories, and many other aspects of California politics.

For information: 443-4215 or use your computer to access the Bulletin Board System at 443-7247.▼

Local PFLAG changes attitudes

by Denise Okamoto
OF MGW STAFF

The latest PFLAG meeting showed the ever impressive power of how willingness, support, education and compassion can change attitudes towards lesbians and gays. A gathering of 35 people, mostly parents, friends or siblings of a gay/lesbian person, attended the meeting at St. Marks United Methodist Church.

It is apparent when a gay/lesbian family member "comes out of the closet," parents and siblings must also go through a "coming out" process of their own. They learn to become empathetic to a community that has become part of their son or daughter. This process creates mutual strength within the family, opening up avenues for further growth on a family and individual level.

However, this process is not always embraced as a potentially positive experience. PFLAG supports those who are willing to venture to "come out" with their gay/lesbian family members and friends.

Follow a 20-minute excerpt from Brian McNaught's video *On Being*

Gay, the group sat in a circle to allow for an informal discussion of the film as well as why they were attending, Bud and Nena, who led the discussion explained their involvement in PFLAG because of their gay son. Their understanding and acceptance of the gay/lesbian community and their son was a direct result of their willingness to pursue support for his lifestyle.

The people attending were all in various stages of "coming out," either as a relative to a gay/lesbian person, or as a gay/lesbian person themselves.

PFLAG offers education, hope, support and an informal forum for family members and friends so that they can grow and understand a community which is much different from their non-gay world.

PFLAG meets every third Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm at 2391 St. Marks Way at the United Methodist Church in the Christian Education Building. Pamphlets and books to rent are available for those who want material on the many different elements of the gay/lesbian lifestyle, and the people they effect.▼

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SJSU students arrested for flying rainbow flag at ROTC protest

by Keith Clark
OF MGW STAFF

SAN JOSE, Calif. -- In a largely symbolic protest against ROTC anti-gay policies here as part of San Jose State University's Gay Pride Week, three students were arrested for raising the Rainbow Flag in front of the campus ROTC building.

The three - Ted Comerford, Byl Hulse and Mike Kemmerr - were part of some two dozen SJSU students who were protesting Wednesday, April 10, ROTC's refusal to accept lesbian and gay students.

As the other students marched and chanted "R-O-T-C, Just Say No To Bigotry," the three managed to bypass a lock on the flagpole in front of the building and eventually

raise the multi-colored Rainbow Flag. The three were then arrested by SJSU campus police and held for a little over an hour. They were then released without charges after campus police determined no damage had been done to the flagpole or its lock, making it impossible to press vandalism charges.

Sponsors of the week's activities, the Alternative Lifestyles Political Action Committee, had asked for and been refused permission to raise the flag at the pole in front of the building. But the students decided to run it up the pole anyway, claiming the flagpole was SJSU property and available to students during such special events.

Campus officials, however, said the flagpole is private property

belonging to the Air Force and Army ROTC units on campus, not university property.

Meanwhile, in support of the lesbian/gay ROTC protest, the Associated Students at SJSU also unanimously passed a resolution demanding that the university enforce its own anti-discrimination policies against ROTC on campus or begin phasing out the ROTC programs.

The California State University's statewide Academic Senate earlier this year adopted a resolution urging the individual university presidents to begin shutting down ROTC programs at their facilities over discrimination against lesbians and gays.▼

North Carolina State University issues sexual orientation statement

by Keith Clark
OF MGW STAFF

RALEIGH, N.C. -- In a hometown move that's likely to give U.S. Sen. Jesse Helms (R-NC) apoplexy, Larry Monteith, chancellor of North Carolina State University last month issued a "statement on sexual orientation" that effectively bars discrimination at the state institution of higher learning.

Monteith's April 29 memorandum to deans, directors and department heads at NCSU, located in Helms' home town, states, "Educational and employment decisions should be based on an individual's abilities and qualifications and should not be based on factors or personal characteristics that are not germane to academic abilities or job performance."

Although Monteith acknowledges that sexual orientation is not a factor that has been traditionally included in non-discrimination language, the NCSU chancellor's memo

says, "It is my position that an individual's sexual orientation is another factor which is not relevant to educational and employment decisions. I am reaffirming that only relevant factors be considered in such decisions and that equitable and consistent standards of conduct and performance be applied at North Carolina State University."

Donna Swinton, a spokeswoman with the chancellor's office, said that Monteith hadn't exactly written the memorandum directly as a result of Helms' extreme anti-gay views, "but I wouldn't say the chancellor was unaware of Mr. Helms' biases."

"I think it would be fair to say Chancellor Monteith doesn't share the Senator's sometimes peculiar preoccupation with people's private behavior," she added.

The memorandum points to the university's existing grievance procedures for faculty, staff and students to handle complaints relating to discrimination based on sexual orientation.▼

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by John Batchelor
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(For phone numbers and details on events mentioned in this column, check the calendar and organization information in the back of the paper.)

FATIGUE combined with **EXCITEMENT** is the scenario of late. A quick browse through **MGW** should be enough to let you know that June is jam-packed with events. As a result "Mr. Flash" is going to make it a short one this time around ● One super highlight of the month is undoubtedly the annual **Lambda Freedom Fair** on June 15 in McKinley Park. This celebration now attracts thousands. If you are able to combine some work with the fun, contact **Paul Martinez** and **Karyn Andrade** ASAP! Such events only come around once (a year!) ● The **Lambda Players** present the world premiere of a new work by local playwright **Gregg Peterson**. Check out this romantic comedy playing for three weekends through June 15 ● Unfortunately, our community will lose two of our heavy duty community contributors, **Dr. Elizabeth Harrison** and **Anna Harrison**. They are moving to Minnesota for a change of scenery. June 18 is the moving day, but maybe someday they will return ● The Sacramento chapter of **Camping Women** is one busy organization. They head off to the Russian River for a campout on June 7-9. This is only one of many summer events. Contact the group and catch the fun ● Kudos to the **Lavender Angels** who are now patrolling our streets at peak times. A recent Sunday edition of the **Sacramento Bee** featured a front page color photograph and article in its Metro section. It's difficult to realize the effect of all of this but when we look at the big picture, the visibility is essential ● **Camp Camp-It-Up!**, the **Hawaii Men's Gathering** is July 22-28 on the Big Island. To find out more about this fantastic and enriching get-away, come to a tropical party at my place on June 11. Please contact me at MGW if you'd like to attend ● We all gain confidence in different ways. If you are looking to expand your horizons as well as gain confidence, there is a dance four-week mini-course being offered by yours truly on June 3. It's one more way to relate to people, be more comfortable on the dance floor and have fun ● In other dance news, Mr. Flash is offering a **FREE** waltz workshop at the Lambda Community Center on June 18. It's all part of the "Lambda U" series ● **Randy Hartley**, member of the Boulevard Park Neighborhood Association, recently had some good results cleaning up the Lucky's on "F" Street. Keep up the good work Randy! ● **SAF's MEN'S** (Meet-



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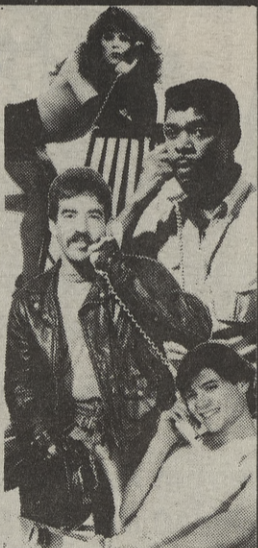
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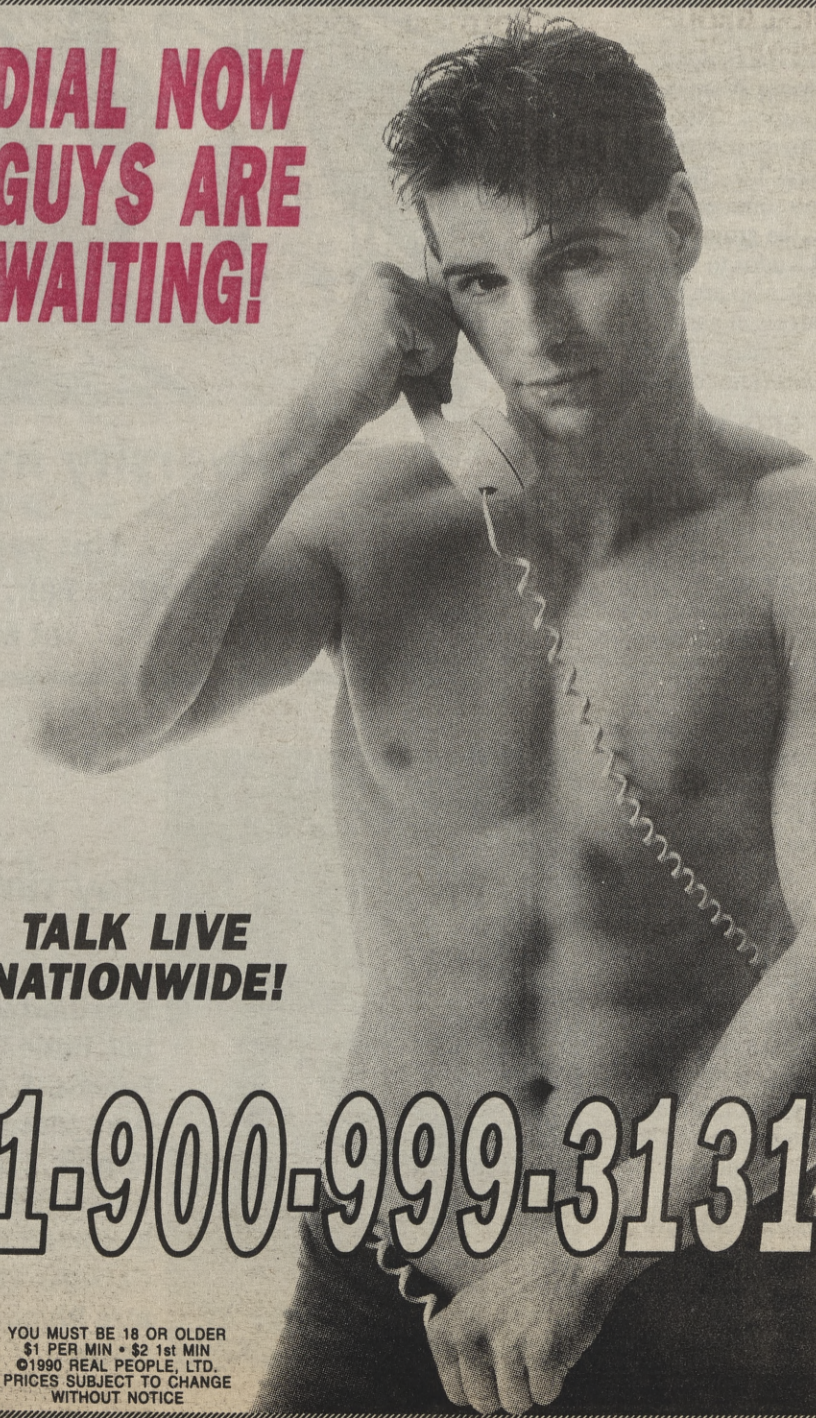
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The city's lesbian/gay community has been marching in celebration of its life every summer on the last Sunday of June since 1970. In the late 1970s, the Lesbian/Gay Freedom Day Parade and Celebration Committee was formed and the annual march became a yearly parade.

This year, the June 30 parade is expected to draw 500,000 participants, making this annual event San Francisco's largest and California's second largest after the Tournament of Roses Parade.

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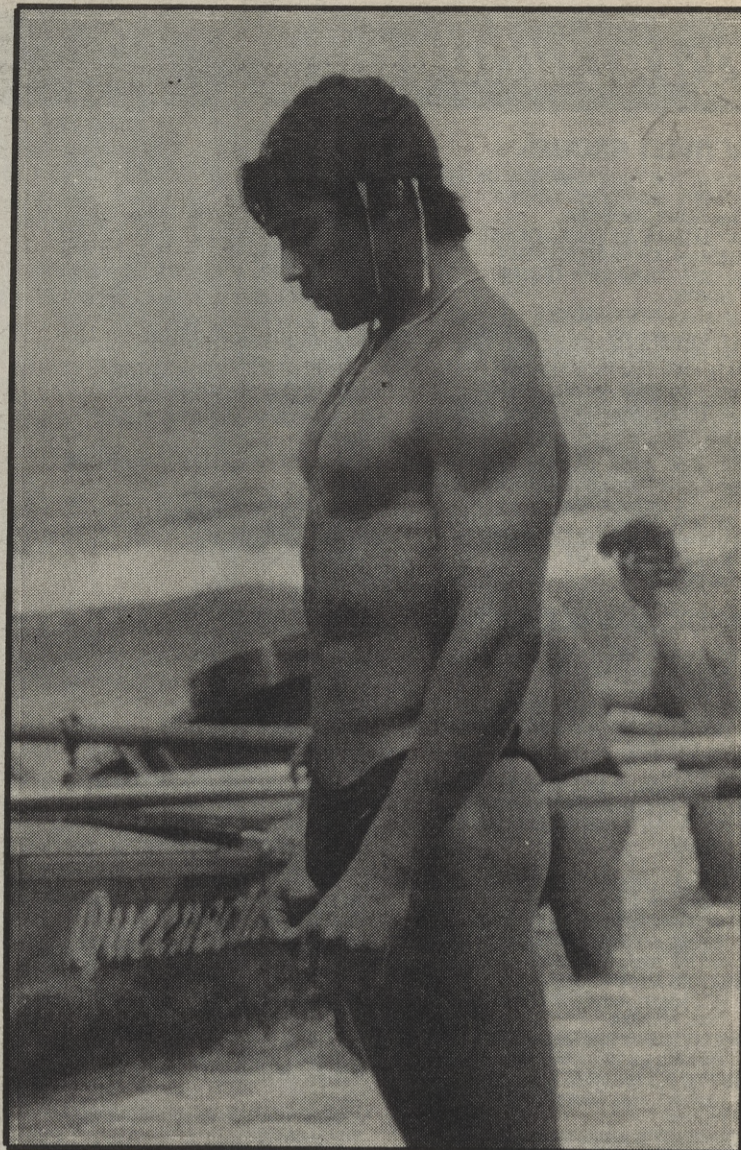
Active gay parade participants mingle among the crowd gathered on the sidewalk.



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including marching bands and colorful floats, the parade begins at 11am on Market Street at Spear, continues west on Market to 8th Street, and ends at Civic Center Plaza where more than 400 booths and five entertainment areas will be set up to extend the party until 6pm.

For a complete listing of Lesbian/Gay Pride events and more information contact the San Francisco Lesbian/Gay Freedom Day Parade & Celebration Committee, 584 Castro St., #513, San Francisco, 94114; 415-864-FREE. ▼



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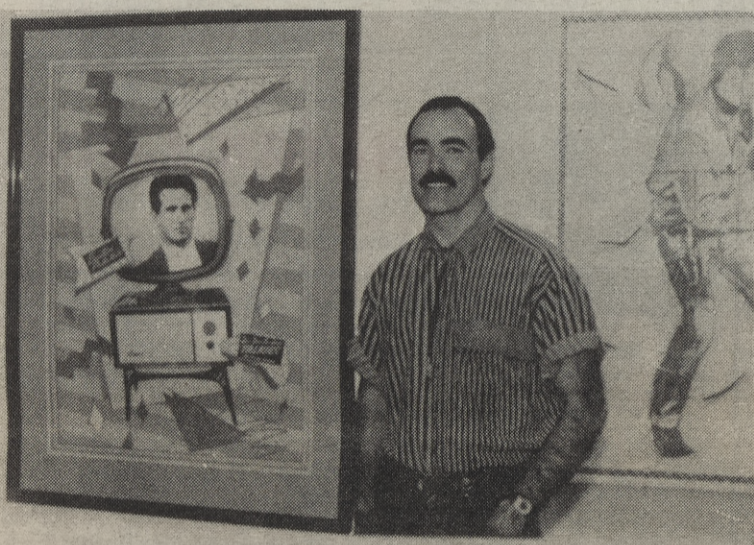


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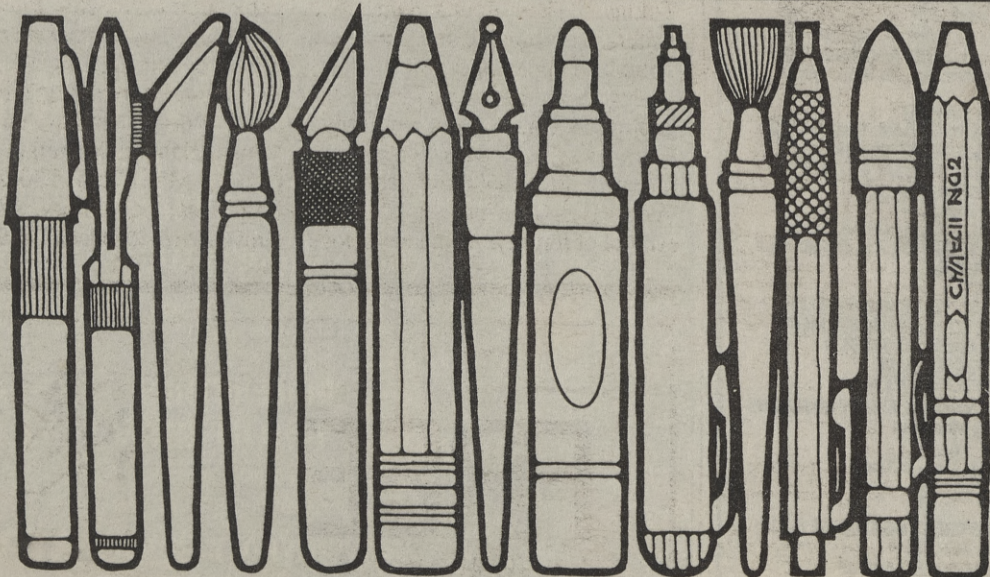
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Blanche McCrary Boyd:

Being southern and gay

by Dell Richards
OF MGW STAFF

Blanche McCrary Boyd has been seen as a writer of note by the mainstream literary community for the past 20 years. Despite accolades from the mainstream, she is just beginning to receive the recognition she deserves from the gay and lesbian community.

When she spoke at the recent Out/Write Conference in San Francisco, Boyd was thrilled at the reception she got.

"A hundred people came up to me to say they'd not only read my books but Xeroxed copies of them," says Boyd in a slow, Southern drawl.

"I felt like Lazarus risen from the dead."

Which is not surprising.

Until her most-recently published book, *The Revolution of Little Girls*, you couldn't find a Blanche Boyd book in a bookstore anywhere, much less a gay and lesbian one.

Yet in 1967, Boyd was awarded the prestigious Wallace Stegner Fellowship in Creative Writing at Stanford University. For the past eight years, she has been the writer-in-residence at Connecticut College.

This past year, she spoke at the writer's banquet of the year-the PEN/Faulkner Gala. Eudora Welty went first; Blanche Boyd went second.

The 45-year-old has made it in the mainstream even though she hasn't published a book in nearly a decade. Though her first books were published by large houses, they didn't become blockbusters and weren't kept in print.

But the Charleston native also has chosen to write three novels and a book of essays about what it's like to be Southern, rather than the usual theme of gay fiction--what it's like to be gay.

Boyd has done so consciously and deliberately--wanting to integrate lesbianism into fiction in the same way she integrates being gay into her life.

"Being gay is a normal way to be in the world," says Boyd. "I think

it's really important for that to be said."

For Boyd, being gay is so natural that it hasn't had the impact that hailing from below the Mason-Dixon line has. Being from South Carolina has been the wellspring of her work--and also a demon she's had to exorcise.

"For women, being Southern is a hard choice," says Boyd. "You do it or you break with it."

Like a character in one of her novels, Boyd has taken to extremes to break out of the stifling Southern mold.

In a 1970's women's demonstration in Washington, D.C., she got arrested with the rest of her "cadre." When she tried skydiving for a journalism assignment, she kept it up--jumping out of airplanes long after the article was written for the pure thrill of it. And until she went on the wagon, she participated in one of the oldest Southern traditions--boozing like it was going out of style.

But this dare-devil attitude that not only colors her life has made her work some of the most outrageous published by anyone in the past 20 years.

In the midst of a 1982 book on Southern raucousness called *The Redneck Way of Knowledge*, Boyd added an essay on lesbianism that compared the love of women to the love of Jesus.

The lesbian in her current novel loses her virginity by masturbating--a first, according to Boyd, in Western fiction. Prior to that, a boyfriend sprains his hand when it gets caught somewhere between the character's girdle and crotch.

And the lesbian in Boyd's novel, *Mourning the Death of Magic*, has an affair with her sister.

"People thought the first two novels were true," Boyd says with a touch of wonder in her voice.

"But in *Redneck*--a book of autobiographical essays--people said 'You made that stuff up, right?'"

Boyd didn't.

In her essays and journalism, Boyd

serves up the fact--no matter how unusual. In articles for *Vanity Fair*, *Esquire* and other top-drawer magazines, she has written about events that seem too bizarre to be true, such as a beer-chugging contest at a Democratic Convention that was judged by a chimpanzee in Levi's or beating Jamie Lee Curtis at ping-pong.

Boyd uses her life in fiction, too. But in fiction, Boyd tells a tale not as it happened but as it "should be remembered."

Fact or fiction, this author who has taught at both Bennington and Goddard is able to capture the sense of the era as well as the place--a very unusual gift.

Set in the 1950's and early 1960's, Boyd's current book about growing up Southern is the first of a trilogy. The next book follows the main character not only into the political awakening of the 1970's but into a lesbian commune.

"This is Ellen's radical lesbian time," says Boyd. "No one's written about the early 1970's--and the really radical women's movement--in a way that's felt right to me."

Boyd already has started *Rain in Wonderland*. It begins:

"In 1971, I played the Ten of Hearts in an outdoor production of *Alice in Wonderland*. I had recently left my husband, changed my name from Ellen to Rain and moved to Vermont to be a radical feminist. Crescent-Moon Dragon-Wagon played the Red Queen. Crescent-Moon was wanted for bombing the Bank of America in Honolulu but none of us knew that yet."

Boyd may not see herself solely as a lesbian writer. But if the wit and verve of her current novel doesn't make her a well-known author in circles, *Rain* undoubtedly will.

Dell Richards is a syndicated journalist whose book, *Lesbian Lists*, is available nationwide. ▼

humor

It's a queer world

by Rumble Foreskin
OF MGW STAFF

"It's a Queer World" is compiled periodically for your amusement, amazement and edification, and consists of odds and ends (well, maybe more odds than ends) worth passing notice.

o England's stuffier elements have been fuming recently over the "Case of the Virgin Birth." Seems a young unmarried woman in her 20s who has never had sex is undergoing artificial insemination to become pregnant. The woman, who describes herself as a heterosexual says, however, that she has no intention of ever having sex with a man. Conservatives and anti-abortion leaders are falling all over themselves denouncing the woman's decision as "barnyard animal husbandry" and "unnatural." Members of the clergy have criticized the practice of allowing single heterosexual women and lesbians to the artificial insemination process and some politicians are calling for legis-

lation banning "virgin births" which somehow just doesn't seem very Christian.

o Lesbians may also be interested to learn that researchers at the Southern Illinois University School of Medicine have discovered that not only do nearly half the women they interviewed say they have sex even when suffering from migraine headaches, but also over half those women said sex actually helped their headaches. SIU neurologist James Couch, who conducted the interviews, said the stimulation of the women's sexual organs may trigger the body's natural pain-killing mechanisms. Besides, it's more fun than taking two aspirin.

o NOCIRC, the National Organization of Circumcision Information Resource Center, with 18,000 supporters and chapters from New England to New Zealand, will be holding its annual conference in San Francisco (where else?) April 30 through May 3, featuring some 25 speakers on various topics in its battle to keep the male genitals intact. Marilyn Milos, a nurse who heads the group, says circumcision

Lesbians want to take over the planet Venus

by Keith Clark
OF MGW STAFF

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) is asking the public at large to submit the names of notable women to use in naming the thousands of geological features expected to be discovered as a result of the Magellan space survey of the planet Venus. And lesbians in this country say it's time for them to "penetrate Venus and get dykes in outer space." The NASA estimates as many as 4,000 distinct features on the planet will be found during the Magellan mapping, and they all will need names for astronomical maps and charts. Lesbian activists say this is their chance to "put lesbians on the map - at least in outer space," according to Rachael Pepper of Queer Nation/LABIA here.

Pepper and LABIA supporter Peggy Sue cited the names of dozens of notable lesbians that could be sent to NASA - ranging from Queen Christina of Sweden to Sappho to Gertrude Stein and Alice B. Toklas. "They could name two craters side-by-side for Stein and Toklas," Pepper said.

Peggy Sue said the naming of the geological features of Venus could be a very sexy process. "I see it as a screamingly sexual thing," she said. "Venus is an inherently sexual female symbol of fertility, womanness, love

and girls doing girls. I think it's great. Venus is a very dyke name." Dell Richards, author of "Lesbian Lists," agreed. "I think it's great. Let's face it, at least half of the notable women anyone's going to suggest are going to be dykes. I think it's unfortunate that NASA will pick all these women and never know they're lesbians, but never look a gift planet in the mouth I guess."

Despite the enthusiasm of lesbians over putting their favorite woman's name on the planet, NASA has some restrictions on names it will consider. The woman must have been dead for at least three years and "must have been in some way notable or worthy of the honor."

In addition, no military or political figures in the 19th or 20th centuries will be used, NASA says. And women who were "prominent in any of the six main living religions" or having "specific national significance" will also not be used in the Venus naming project.

Each name submitted should include a one- or two-sentence explanation of why the woman should be used in naming a feature of the planet and should indicate the dates of the woman's birth and death. They should be mailed to: Venus Names, Magellan Project Office, Mail Stop 230-201, Jet Propulsion Laboratory, 4800 Oak Grove Drive, Pasadena CA 91109. ▼

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Local Symphony ends its season with "interesting" shows

by Karl Greene
OF MGW STAFF

The Sacramento Symphony Orchestra closed its season recently with a couple of "shows" which missed the mark. However well intentioned, these "visual events" failed to make a favorable impression to this reviewer.

To be sure, there were those who liked these events. Many positive comments were published in other publications; that's their opinion.

There was no problem with the orchestra's musicianship. That was of high quality, as usual. There was nothing wrong with Carter Nice's direction. That was as competent as usual. Certainly, no one could complain about the soloist in one of these events. She was impressive.

But, the visual gimmicks didn't work. First, in mid-March, the symphony presented Aaron Copland's splendid music along with some kind of "photo-choreography" which offered the audience an hour or more of "pretty pictures."

Again, competence is not an issue. The slide photos were strikingly competent and presented with effective technological support. The photos were just right for an audience of mature Nebraska ladies at a Lawrence Welk show.

There were pretty pictures of plants and trees, of mountain ranges and babbling brooks. There were lovely photos of all-American, all-white,

and all-decent farm families dining at tables laden with food. There were charming pictures of old men and little babies.

But, somehow, that seemed more like Easy Listening than Aaron Copland. The program included Copland's *Fanfare for the Common Man*, but the common man pictured was more a fantasy from yesteryear than the common man on today's American mean streets.

Second, at the end of April, the orchestra ended the season with its much-publicized production of *Alexander Nevsky*, the event for orchestra, soprano and film. The orchestra played Prokofiev's engaging music very well. The chorus sang the score with skill. The chorus, by the way, included both the Sacramento Symphony Chorus and the Sacramento Men's Chorus. It was a pleasure to see the quality of the men's chorus recognized in this way. The soprano soloist was terrific!

Carter Nice handled the technical challenges of the assignment without a hitch. With one eye on the screen and another on the red and green lights telling him when to stop and go and still watching the score and his orchestra, he brought it all off successfully.

But, the film, a 1938 epic by the legendary Soviet filmmaker Sergei Eisenstein, was comely! Now, granted, art and artists must be judged in terms of their own time and place

and values. Certainly one would not evaluate Chaucer in terms of Hemingway's style.

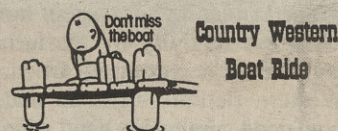
But, this 1938 Soviet film made it so obvious that the USSR has always been way behind the USA in development. It looked rather like a 1920 American movie. Stereotypical men and stereotypical "girls" playing out a classic tale of good versus evil on the battlefield.

There were lots of men in armor, lots of clanking of swords, lots of hurling of spears, lots of speeches about "Mother Russia" and a good many coy glances from fair maidens. This may well have been significant stuff in Russia in 1938. It surely succeeded in its purpose of rallying Soviet sentiment against the Nazis who were on the move in nearby Europe.

But, to present this to a 1991 American audience as a great film epic -- as a major achievement of 20th century cinema art -- as a major event to close the symphony season -- didn't work. It was a somewhat interesting period piece. It was an example of how cinema can be used for propaganda purposes. It was sometimes amusing in a corny way. But, the film didn't remotely match the quality of the music.▼

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"Photography is the most influential conveyor of messages in the world. It's a record of history and events and of society's interaction, and it is sorely lacking in its representation of lesbians. I wanted to change that," Joan said recently, looking at her first proofs.

"How many of us have cut up two cards and pasted them together or whited out a guy's mustache on a card because we have not had images we could identify with," she recalled. No more...

"Wouldn't it be wonderful if we could walk into a place and have it be commonplace for our work to be next to the other greeting cards?"



Joan Greenfield's new greeting card "Spring"



Joan Greenfield's new greeting card "Well Hello"

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Joan and Pamela's portrayals do just that. With obvious love for their subjects and a sense of humor about themselves, they show women and their sensuousness, warmth, frivolousness, and their ability to poke fun at themselves.

The cards and posters promise to become fast favorites. "They're for women who love women, and for people who know and have friends who are lesbians," Joan

added.

The first set offers "a little something for a lot of people ... while it does not represent all of the diversity of this community, we hope to do that in the future," she explained excitedly.

The cards include "How About A Little Tush Push?", "Spring," "Well Hell-O There!", "Ginger's Fantasy" and "Horizontal Overlay." "Overlay" and "Tush Push" also will be available in poster form. "Horizontal Overlay" and Pamela's

"Sanctuary" are art posters, utilizing a background devoid of distractions and dramatic lighting, respectively, to capture seductive and intimate moments.

Joan has "been around photography all of my life," but credits seeing Pamela's work with "giving me the push I needed. Pamela's sensitivity toward a subject is different from mine and I liked how it brought our work together."

She also credits psychologist/humorist Joanne Loulan with pro-

viding inspiration and the idea for one her cards. Loulan told a local audience a couple of years ago, "Women can do anything they want to ... they just choose not to."

Joan's "Femme Approach to Auto Repair" is a spoof on Loulan's comment, "I like a woman with an automatic transmission."

"Other really important people who have helped, nurtured and shared with me in this venture are Pamela, Jill Spitz, Judy Ludwick, all of the models, and my mother," she con-

tinued.

The company's name and logo, "First Blush," reflect "the first time you realized you were attracted to a woman or the first time you saw Susan Sarandon and Catherine Deneuve's seduction scene in 'The Hunger,' or 'Desert Hearts,' or Debra Winger laying a smacker on Theresa Russell in 'Black Widow.' It's the excitement of being able to see yourself and your lifestyle."

The First Blush cards are being sold singularly or boxed in gift sets through local outlets. Joan plans to take the cards and posters to the San Francisco and Los Angeles Freedom Day Parades in June, and hopes to open up markets in both cities, throughout California, then nationwide. "I would love to find a company which would market the set for us," she said.

Noting the versatility of her cards, Joan quipped, "If you have trouble telling your family about your lifestyle, send 'Well Hell-O There' with the words, 'Mom, Guess What!'"

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Reflections on apparitions

by Kate M. Lang, M.S.
OF MGW STAFF

Most people, if they live very long, usually see a few strange things in their lives. Sometimes they tell about them, sometimes they don't. If they choose not to tell they probably have a good idea why they aren't telling.

Surveys show that the two things people fear most in the United States are going crazy and dying. Therefore when someone has a paranormal experience that may be perceived by society as being kind of "crazy," and when that experience (say an apparition) is woven in with death in some way, (let's say for example, a loved one appears to one family member after death in that member's kitchen in another state about an hour after death, and then, appears in a dream to two other different family members on the same night giving them some important information,) well...! we've got the makings of a major double-header in la-la land.

Most times, in the land of the paranormal, when a person sees an apparition, he/she has an immediate reality crisis. Is this real? Am I crazy? Am I crazy AND its real? -Or, I'm normal and this is too crazy to be real. Or maybe, -I'm normal, this IS definitely real, I don't know what on earth it means, and if I tell anybody, --they'll think I'm crazy.

Not to worry. Remember that most psychiatrists are conditioned to equate hallucinations with schizo-

phrenia and other psychoses, but the fact of the matter is that many normal non-psychotic people see visions, hear voices and have other paranormal experiences. There are many enlightened psychiatrists out there now, as well as other health care professionals, who have more understanding about psychic capacities than ever before. I find this both healing and encouraging.

As I was writing this, in a little burst of synchronicity, my phone rang and it was an old friend, Suzanne Hodges. I met Suz at Sutter Memorial Hospital Psychiatric Unit when she was the Unit secretary and I was doing my internship hours.

I spontaneously asked her, "Suz, have you ever seen an apparition?" She replied, "Yes, when I was about 16 or 17 years old, here in Sacramento. I'd known two gals from Georgia for about six months. They asked me to stay overnight one time.

After we went to bed I woke out of a real sound sleep for no sound reason. I smelled a real sweet -- fragrant--smell in the room, and then I saw near the doorway of the room the full figure of a woman -- head to toe-- I thought, 'This is for real!...This is really happening!' Elaine was sound asleep and I woke her up and asked her what she saw, and she saw it too! Then she dove under the covers and would not come out. I felt if she saw it that confirmed it for me. I wasn't scared --didn't feel harm or ill-will. I just laid there, thinking 'This can't be real,' and I drifted off to sleep. I

drempt of a woman, a young woman with brown hair in a page-boy.

The next morning at the breakfast table, we were talking with Elaine's mom and Elaine said, "Suz, you're never spending a night here again; you bring spooks with you!" She went on to say that she had a cousin back in the south who had been murdered, shot in an upstairs bathroom. The family sentiments were that the husband had done it, though nobody could ever prove anything.

Elaine's mom went to get a photograph, and it was a picture of the young woman who was in my dream, brown hair in a page boy. The sweet smell still lingered in the hallway in the morning. We circled the house but there were no flowers around to account for the fragrance.

I asked Suzanne if there had been any conversation about this before-hand, and she said, "none." They had just been singing and goofing off like teenagers the night before.

A definition of apparition is: 1. the act of appearing or becoming apparent, particularly suddenly or unexpectedly. 2. the thing appearing; especially, a strange or extraordinary vision; a ghost; a specter; a phantom.

I wondered if the apparition that Suzanne and Elaine saw was the image of the same young woman that Suzanne drempt about that night. (I would think so.) The murder had been committed in the South some years before. Was this the "ghost" of the young woman whizzing through the astral plane on a red-eye special from the South to the West to say, "Hi, I'm still around?" Was this a case of a spontaneous psychic, or "psi" experience in which Suzanne unconsciously participated in surfacing --in a projective holographic way-- (a la "Star Wars") a painful heartache still etched strongly and emotionally in that collective family unconscious? When spontaneous psychic experiences happen to people, there is usually some strong affective -emotional- bond at work.

E. Bruce Taub-Bynum says in his book, "The Family Unconscious," ... "The Family Unconscious emerged within this study as a field of information and energy that enfolded the lives of any group of people with powerful affective connections, shared history and recurrent transactions with each other.

These people in turn have the unconscious enfolded within themselves. These groups are usually referred to as families. However, this family is really the seed, the primal energy nexus from which almost all other relationships are later derived. Merely saying that each person is an "aspect" of this energy field is not enough. WE EXPERIENCE THIS ENERGY FIELD AS EMOTION, IMAGERY, THE VORTEX FROM WHICH MANY OF OUR MOTIVATIONS SPIN OUT. In the vast majority of cases it is this field of affective-ideational energy of the Family Unconscious that provides a background for psi events to occur."

I think of apparitions as projected holographic messages --visual metaphors of individual or collective personal meaning. The "Course in Miracles" tells us, "Perception can make whatever picture the mind desires to see. Remember this. In this lies either Heaven or hell, as you elect."

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AIDS Foundation volunteers honored

by Sonya Cox
MGW HIV EDITOR

Balloons, delicious food, recognition awards, a call to legislative action, and -- most of all -- camaraderie permeated the recent Volunteer Recognition Event put on by the Sacramento AIDS Foundation for its volunteers. Volunteers past and present attended the event, held at the Radisson Hotel April 28. The event was a huge success thanks to much hard work by Foundation staff, including event organizers Kim Honeywell, Joel Ferreira, Lisa Darty, Shoshanaq Zatz, and Stephanie Linka.

Over 250 attended the event, created to recognize those who volunteer their time to work the Foundation's various programs. Those honored included Hand-to-Hand support volunteers who provide both emotional and practical support to their match, fundraising

and all clients are able to live with this disease, for as many years as possible, in dignity and comfort.



Photo by Sonya Cox
Singer, Linda Snook performed at the SAF Volunteer Recognition Event on April 28.

The event brought together volunteers who hadn't seen each other for a while, providing a forum for remembrance and reminiscence -- which is what Foundation volunteers seem to be experts at. Many of the 430 Sacramentans lost to AIDS since the beginning of the AIDS epidemic a decade ago have

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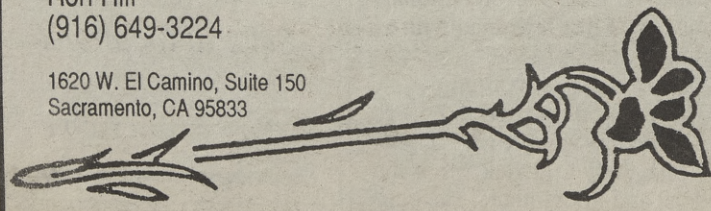
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The event recognized all who have

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farewell

Laszlo J. Nemeth

Laszlo J. Nemeth, M.D., a pioneering AIDS advocate and senior staff physician for Kaiser Permanente hospitals in the Sacramento area, died May 1 of an AIDS-related illness.

Dr. Nemeth, 40, served on the Kaiser Permanente AIDS Task Force and helped institute AIDS clinics in the Kaiser health care system for the Sacramento area. He was a founding member of the Sacramento AIDS Foundation and its Hand-to-Hand Project and served on the board of directors of the Placer County AIDS Foundation.

Dr. Nemeth served on Kaiser's staff credentials and privileges committee, was a vice president of the American Association for Physicians for Human Rights and a member of the Bay Area Physicians for Human Rights.

A native of Hungary, Dr. Nemeth fled his native country with his parents when he was five and immigrated to the United States in the mid-1950s.

He completed medical school at Loyola University in Chicago, Ill., and did his residency in the Bay Area and Stockton.

He was a member of MENSA and affiliated with Phi Beta Kappa Fraternity at Knox College in Galesburg, Ill., where he was raised.

Dr. Nemeth is survived by his companion, Ben Goldstein of Sacramento; parents, Ilona and Jeno Nemeth of Galesburg; sisters, Klara Kulcsar of Davenport, Iowa, and Magda Greene of Alliance, Neb.; and a brother, Steven Nemeth of DeKalb, Ill.

Any remembrances may be made to ACT-UP, 496A Hudson St., New York, NY 10014; Project Inform, 347 Dolores St., S.F. 94110; Placer AIDS Foundation, 12183 Locksley Lane, #205, Auburn 95603; or American Foundation for AIDS Research (AmFAR), 5900 Wilshire Blvd., second floor east satellite, Los Angeles 90036-5032.▼

Addiction: Getting free

by Sandra Warne, M.A.
OF MGW STAFF

Self-deception is the highest form of deception which produces the lowest form of living. Why is it we are most effective when deceiving ourselves?

The first step in Recovery is to admit to yourself that you are addicted -- to booze, cigarettes, money, people, sex, whatever your drug is. A reliable sign of addiction is continued involvement in the addictive activity despite negative consequences.

A major stumbling block to breaking through denial is the guilt addicts feel about their problem. As long as you believe horrible things about addicts you'll have trouble facing up to your problem.

I have found in my own recovery that addicts can be charming and charismatic. I am drawn toward other addicts and have developed great compassion toward myself and others who, having been so wounded sometime in development that we have compulsively sought mood-changers rather than meet our own vulnerability. Some of us are quite creative when defending ourselves from the tyranny of our own neediness.

Once you can see that your addiction began as a positive impulse (seeking relief and comfort), you will be better able to accept the disease and to begin recovering from it. Sometimes you need to view yourself not as a bad person getting good, but a sick person getting better.

Tell someone. Once you've admitted to yourself that you're hooked, tell someone else. Do this because it lightens your burden. People in 12-step programs introduce themselves by saying "My name is _____ and I'm an alcoholic (and, or, drug addict, compulsive eater, bulimic, etc.)" Sharing the secret dilutes the power that addictions wield when its hidden.

Choose someone to tell that will not be judgmental. Ideally that would be another person in recovery.

Expect to feel ambivalent. It's normal to feel ambivalent about quitting; you wouldn't be addicted in the first place if there weren't things you wanted from your drug or activity. The person who says "I have no desire to ever do it again" is more likely to relapse than the person who recognizes her ambivalence and decides to quit anyway, and who says "I want to use this drug, but just for today I'm not going to."

When should you quit? At one time it was believed that an addict couldn't quit until she "hit bottom," lost everything and had no other recourse. That's true for many people but not for everybody. Basically, if you can see what your use is doing to you, and you want something more out of life, begin now. You don't have to have a "better bottom."

Faith leaping. Once you quit your drug there is no guarantee that you will feel "good as new" right away. In fact, you will probably enter what feels like a void, where you don't have the drug and you don't have any inner resources yet either.

Some people believe that belief in a higher power is necessary to enter the space between addiction and self-actualization; that it helps them get beyond short term abstinence. Others who attend 12-step programs for the first time are put off by the spiritual underpinning of the program and references to a "higher power." Some have had negative or unpleasant experiences with religion while growing up or are disillusioned with organized religion.

I for one, was brought up by an atheist mother and was taught to associate atheism with intelligence and general superiority. I found though that it was through the cul-

tivation of my spiritual side, I was allowed to let go of some of my controlling behavior and come to accept myself on a being level ... thus making recovery possible.

Surrendering to a lack of control is second order change, because it moves you out of the frame "I am in control" and into that transformative space that has been dreaded for so long.

Abstinence

Depending on the addiction, the word "abstinence" means different things. Some addictive substances and activities -- like alcohol, illicit drugs, and gambling must be stopped. But obviously, one cannot avoid food, sex, money, work or relationships altogether. That is why it is so important to get involved in the 12-step recovery program that is designed for your particular addiction.

Once you've become abstinent, you may start to wonder if you are sticking too rigidly to your abstinence plan. Thoughts might start creeping into your head that "my addiction wasn't such a big deal after all," or "other people seem to be able to control it, why not me? I'll do it just once more."

The best policy is to stick to your abstinence plan completely. Other people can do things we can't do, and they suffer no negative effect, but they are "normies," and we aren't, and cheating on our plans pulls us back into the addictive cycle.

To recover from any single addiction, you must stop using not only your drug of choice, but all drugs and activities, that serve as mood changers. If you use anything to anesthetize your feelings, it falls into the category of mood changers.

When you are under the influence of any mood changer, it is much more difficult to say "no" to your drug of choice. To recover you must learn how to cope with

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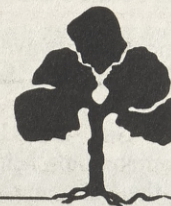
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Sacramento Heatwaves take first place at IGLA

The Sacramento Heatwaves Swim Team took first place in the small team category at the 4th Annual International Gay and Lesbian Aquatic Championships, held Easter weekend at the Belmont Olympic Plaza pool in Long Beach.

Hosted by the West Hollywood Aquatics, the competition attracted 300 swimmers from teams all over the United States and Canada, as well as London, Sydney, and Guam.

The seven men representing the Heatwaves dominated the small team competition, winning a total of six gold medals, seven silver medals, six fourth place ribbons, two fifth place ribbons and four sixth place ribbons.

The Heatwaves were led by gold

medal performances from Mark Blagdon, Andy Brennan, and David Lyons. In the 35-39 age group, Blagdon took first in both the 100 fly and 200 fly, second place in the 50 fly, fourth place in the 100 free, and sixth place in the 200 I.M. Blagdon's swim in the 200 fly set a new IGLA record.

Brennan also set a new IGLA record for his first place finish in the 200 I.M. in the 30-34 age group. Brennan also took the gold in the 200 breast, and 50 breast.

In the 25-29 age group, Lyons brought home two gold medals in the 50 breast and 100 breast, fourth place in both the 200 I.M. and 50 free, and fifth place in the 100 I.M. In the same age group Scott Reuss brought home silver medals in the 50 breast and the 200 breast.

David Ugarkovich also scored big with three silver medals in the 40-44 age group for his second place finishes in the 400 I.M., 100 I.M., and the 100 breast, as well as a fourth place finish in the 100 fly.

Paul Young took fourth in the 50

breast and 100 free in the 30-34 age group. Harry Stark brought home two six place ribbons in the 200 and 500 free events in the 35-39 age group.

In addition, the Heatwaves relay team of Stark, Blagdon, Young and Lyons took fourth in the 400 free relay. In the 200 medley relay, the combination of Ugarkovich, Lyons, Blagdon and Young took fifth place.

The Heatwaves efforts earned them a total of 171 points to easily take first place in the small team category. Second place went to Southern California Aquatics (108 points), and the Phoenix Aqua Posse took third with 93 points.

In the large team category, California gay and lesbian swimmers swept the competition. Host team, West Hollywood Aquatics took first place, San Francisco Tsunami came in second, and San Diego's Different Strokes Swim team placed third.

This was the first time that team competition was separated into two categories. Large teams were defined as those teams with 10 or more swimmers, while the small teams were defined as 10 or less. Medals, ribbons, and team points were awarded to swimmers with the six fastest times in each event.

The Heatwaves will hold onto the small team cup for the next year until the 1992 IGLA Championships in Seattle, where the Heatwaves will avenge their title at the Northwest Gay/Lesbian Sports Festival. For information about joining the Sacramento Heatwaves, call 448-5965 or visit their booth at the upcoming freedom fair. ▼

rable to married workers at the school Thursday, May 16.

An hour-and-a-half debate, one of the longest on a single issue to come before the faculty group in years, ended when professors voted 22 to 20 to postpone action on the proposal until next fall, citing unresolved cost issues in the plan. The proposal calls for making available the same medical, insurance and other fringe benefits now enjoyed by legal spouses to the same-sex partners of Stanford staff and faculty.

Some members complained the proposal was ambiguous in its defi-

nition of what constitutes a "committed relationship" among lesbians and gay men and urged supporters of partner benefits instead to lobby the state legislature to legalize same-sex marriages.

One professor, Craig Heller, even suggested that because of "the ease with which gay relationships can be ended" without requiring any legal dissolution, the university might even end up having to pay education expenses and other benefits to the adopted children of same-sex partners long after they had ended a relationship with a Stanford faculty or staff member. ▼

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July 14: 3 vs. 4 (noon); 1 vs. 2 (2pm)
July 21: 4 vs. 2 (noon); 1 vs. 3 (2pm)
July 28: 3 vs. 2 (noon); 1 vs. 4 (2pm)
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Aug. 11: 3 vs. 4. (noon); 1 vs. 2 (2pm)
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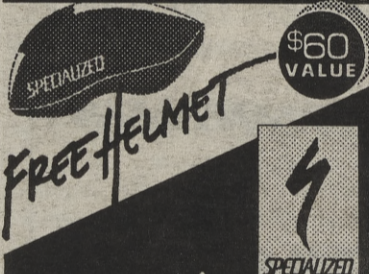
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I chose a 1991 Dodge Dakota pickup for these chores. The Dakota is America's newest pickup and is one of only two in the midsize category: larger than the Ford Ranger, Chevy S-10 and Japanese trucks but smaller than the full size trucks from Ford, Chevy and Dodge. The only comparably sized pickup is the Jeep Comanche. The test vehicle had Chrysler's 3.9 liter V-6 engine and a four speed automatic overdrive transmission. The combination provided strong acceleration and quiet freeway cruising. On the trip to the Bay Area the truck turned in an excellent 20.2 miles per gallon. My only criticism of the drive train is that the

transmission shifts somewhat abruptly and is reluctant to kick down for passing. I'd opt for the standard 5-speed manual if I were buying one of these.

The Dakota is America's newest pickup and is one of only two in the midsize category

With a light load the truck rode, well, like a truck. The ride was firm with some bounce over bumps. However, it was quiet in the cab, with no hint of rattles or squeaks. With a full load in the long bed the ride improved markedly.

The power steering was precise and not too light. The truck tracked perfectly on the freeway. The brakes felt strong and sure. Anti-lock brakes are standard equipment. Everything about this Dodge felt

solid and well made. The tailgate, doors and hood fit well and closed with a gratifying "thunk." The red paint was flawless. I can usually find something wrong with any new vehicle and I couldn't find anything wrong with this one.

The interior (also red) had a clean, simple, functional layout that I felt right at home in. Gauges were clear and comprehensive and their night illumination a pleasing pale green. The heating and air conditioning controls couldn't be any easier to work. The factory installed AM-FM stereo sounded great. The bench seat was covered in a tweedy fabric that seemed durable. The floor was covered not in carpet (which is silly in a truck) but in rugged black rubber one could clean with a sponge. All interior materials struck me as being of high quality and there were none of the flimsy, plastic pieces so prevalent in Japanese trucks.

Dodge Dakota prices start around \$8500. The moderately equipped long bed test vehicle would sell for around \$10,000. ▼

pet talk

Warmer weather means travel time

by Joan B. Guertin
OF MGW STAFF

The temperature hit 90 degrees yesterday. For many of us that heralds the moment for planning a trip away from home. It also means making plans for the family pet. Some of us will opt for a housesitter or kennel while others of us wouldn't think of leaving home without our fuzzy friends. Traveling with cats and dogs can be wonderful if we plan ahead.

At present there are rabies outbreaks in Northern California so to be on the safe side, if pets have not been vaccinated in the past two years, see your vet and boost them. I will often boost for Lyme disease if heading for the woods. If there are possibilities that you will be leaving pets in a kennel somewhere along the way, check with your vet about a Bordetella or Kennel Cough inoculation. And, when crossing state lines have a current health certificate in case you are stopped. I've never yet been asked for one, but sure-as-shootin' if I didn't have it, I'd need it.

My travel paraphernalia for the pups always includes a supply of their food for a few days at least or longer if I'm camping, and water from home in jugs so that I'm not changing water on them. If I run out I'll buy bottled water. Always have a towel for wet feet and a brush for a quick groom after running on the beach. I carry short and long leashes so that my dogs are never loose but they don't always have to be right by my side. All of my cats were leash trained so that I didn't run the risk of losing them on a trip and yet they could have some time out of their carriers. And that is another important must... animal carriers. The airline travel crates are wonderful, as are collapsible pens. I always carry both and have often been allowed in motels that wouldn't necessary take the animals because I could assure them that they would not be left alone,

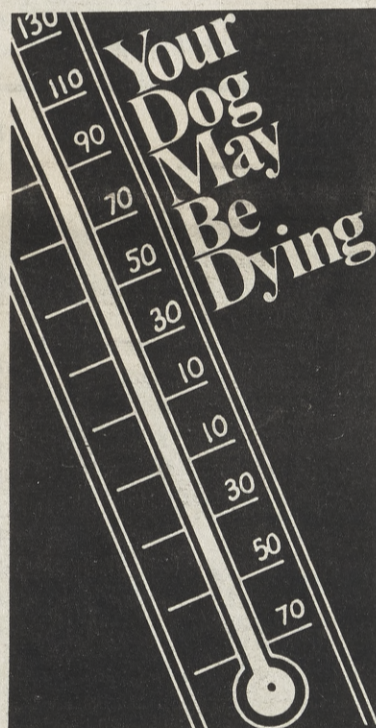
uncrated, in a room.

When visiting friends I discovered that not everyone wanted my pets loose in their house or yard. Having my own pens made visiting much easier. It also gave my animals a measure of safety should our host dog or cat not be too welcoming. My animals also have their own suitcase with such things as favorite toys, chew bones, towels, grooming equipment, first aid items and any medication such as heartworm pills. A good quick-kill flea and tick powder for regular dusting, nail clippers and, don't forget the pooper scooper or baggies... failure to pick up after our pets is one of the reasons pet owners are often not welcome. Also make sure that you have ID tags with current information in case you and pet become separated. However, this is less likely if pets are kept leashed.

According to a recent *New York Times* article, the percentage of lodgings belonging to the American Hotel and Motel Association that will let pets stay rose from 53 percent in 1988 to nearly 60 percent in 1990 and more than two million animals are transported by air every year in the United States. There are several excellent publications available that will aid the traveler with pets. *Traveling with Your Pet*, foreign and state regulations and general safety and health tips, \$5 from the ASPCA, Education Department, 441 E. 92nd St., New York, NY 10128.

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AIDS Foundation Executive Director Dr. Janet Rogers, Board President Gus Guichard, and other agency officials spoke to the volunteers, thanking them for their invaluable contributions at a time in our history when our government is providing virtually nothing for its citizens fighting this disease. Arlis Zimmerman spoke on behalf of

clients, saying he couldn't have made it through his difficult times without his match. A song by entertainer Linda Snook brought a tear to many an eye, but the irrepressible Joe Chase, Master of Ceremonies for the event, brought smiles back to all as he guided the program through the afternoon.

California Assemblyman Lloyd Connelly addressed the entire group, calling for AIDS workers throughout the state not to be afraid to ask the government for more funding. He says AIDS programs, in his opinion, were funded at "minimally adequate" amounts last year. He said that \$125 million for AIDS activities is \$450 million short! Connelly said in light of the fact

that the caseload is growing and people with AIDS are staying healthier longer and not dying at the same rate as 10 years ago, government has certainly not kept up, either with escalating costs or with the provision of new treatment breakthroughs.

He said the \$125 million we're now getting is really less than we got before, because now it has to go to prevention, early intervention, and care. He also addressed such issues as health insurance, catastrophic illness coverage, Food and Drug Administration drug authorizations, and hate crimes.▼

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for it." But Brown said he was only making a presumption and that he and Filante had not talked about the issue either before or after the appointment.

Filante voted for AB 1 the original gay rights bill which was vetoed by Gov. George Deukmejian in 1984 and, as a physician, has been instrumental in the passage of crucial AIDS legislation. Filante has worked closely with Stan Hadden, an openly-gay Senior Consultant to Senate Pro Tem David Roberti. Hadden is credited with engineering virtually every major piece of AIDS legislation which has gone through the legislature. Filante was one of the main speakers at a recent event honoring Hadden. He is a moderate Republican and is considered to be reasonable on gay and lesbian issues.

Insiders are advocating that all members of the Ways and Means Committee should be targeted for telephone calls and letters urging passage of AB 101.

Members of the Assembly Ways and Means Committee are: Chair, John Vasconcellos, (D-San Jose);

William Baker, (R-Walnut Creek); John Burton, (D-San Francisco); Robert Campbell, (D-Richmond); Steve Clute, (D-Riverside); Jim Costa, (D-Fresno); Jerry Eaves, (D-Rialto); Bob Epple, (D-Downey); Gerald Felando, (R-Torrance); William Filante, (D-San Raphael/Marin); Nolan Frizzelle, (R-Fountain Valley); Tom Hannigan, (D-Fairfield); Bev Hansen, (R-Santa Rosa); Teresa Hughes, (D-Los Angeles); Willard Murray, (D-Paramount); Pat Nolan, (R-Glendale); Jack O'Connell, (D-Santa Barbara); Richard Polanco, (D-Los Angeles); Charles Quackenbush, (R-San Jose); Lucille Roybal-Allard, (D-Los Angeles); Curtis Tucker, Jr. (D-Inglewood); Paul Woodruff, (R-Redlands); Cathy Wright, (R-Simi Valley).

All members may be written to at: State Assembly, California State Capitol, Sacramento, CA 95814. Their Capitol offices may be reached by calling the main Centrex number at the Capitol (916) 322-9900 and asking for the Assembly member.

If AB 101 passes the Assembly Ways and Means Committee it will go to a full vote of the Assembly in late June (it must pass the Assembly by June 28). In early July the bill will go to the Senate Judiciary Committee and in late August to Senate Appropriations where it will face stiff opposition. It will come up for a full vote on the Senate floor in early September and must pass by September 13. October 13 is the deadline for the Governor to sign all bills.

Advocates and lobbyists feel that repeated, continuous calls, letters, petitions and cards are vital to the passage of the bill in both houses.▼

Warmer

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Whether traveling long distance or short trips around town, now is the time when you definitely do not want to leave your dogs in a closed car. Temperatures can rise quickly even if the windows are cracked. For example, at 85 degrees the temperature inside the car, with windows slightly open, will reach 102 degrees in 10 minutes and in 30 minutes it will go up to 120 degrees. Leaving a dog in this type of heat even for a short time, can cause irreparable brain damage or even death. To help alert people to the

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feelings, face problems, and socialize without artificial mood alteration. This can't happen as long as you are substituting one mood changer for another.

Taking action

Your decision to stop must be translated into specific concrete action. In order to stop addictive behavior, you have to create for yourself a whole new structure for your life. The rituals of seeking, using and recuperating from your drug must be replaced with healthier rituals and actions. The following is a substitute frame work that you can use:

1) Identify and remove all sources of access to your drug and its reminder.

2) Get professional help.

3) Identify and make use of a support network.

4) Break off with people that make your drug available to you.

5) Structure your time.

6) Put major problems on hold for now, where possible.

You will be most likely to carry these actions through if you have already accepted that you have this disease of addiction, and that recovery will require considerable time and effort, and must come first -- before everything else.

Next time I will identify, explain and help you make use of programs and support networks that are available.

Sandra Warne, M.A. is currently in private practice as a Registered Marriage, Family and Children Counselor Intern. She is also part of a program with the AIDS Foundation as a volunteer mental health professional with a network that provides low cost individual or group counseling to persons living with AIDS/ARC and their families and significant others.▼

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getting much play on the golden oldies show on radio Devon-Air.

A disc jockey who underwent a sex change says he was fired as a man and offered less money to do the same job as a woman.

Glenn Richards, 40, who was once a Radio 2 disc jockey, underwent two years of surgical procedures to become Carolyn Jayne Monroe five years ago.▼

Administrator disciplined

Durham, N.C. -- A Duke University administrator has been disciplined for violating the school's non-discrimination policy when he referred to a job applicant as homosexual after observing his mannerisms during the application process.

Larry D. Nelson, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Health Affairs/Planning was suspended after an inquiry determined that his behavior violated university policy.

Nelson was suspended for four weeks without pay. He was ordered to attend a course designed to heighten his sensitivity toward gender issues and perform community service work in order to be reinstated.▼

New board members elected

The National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF) has announced new members to its board of directors.

Joining the 24-person board are Carmen Vasquez, Berkeley; Susan Anderson, Denver; Donald Chamberlain, Seattle; Drew Siegel, San Francisco; Deborah Johnson, Aptos; Jim Brinning, Boston; Ivo Dominguez, Jr., Georgetown; Ruth

dangers of leaving dogs in parked cars, Animal Protection Institute, Box 22505, Sacramento 95822, offers windshield notices at \$3/100. I carry them with me to leave on cars carrying dogs. If you spot a dog in distress in a parked car, call Animal Control, they will dispatch a humane officer. Breaking a window, as much as you might want to, leaves you liable. I have gone into restaurants to have an announcement made that a dog was in distress. People often mean well but just don't think. As much as Rover might want to go for a ride, he's really better off being left at home where he has shade and plenty of cool water.▼

Eisenberg, Washington, D.C.; and Billy Bailey, Washington, D.C.

Appointed to the board for additional terms were Sabrina Sojourner, Washington, D.C.; Geni Cowan, Petaluma; Susan Allee, New York; John D'Emilio, Stanford.

Other continuing members Elizabeth Birch, Santa Cruz; Lynne Brown, Washington, D.C.; Susan Buckley, Iowa City; Gregory Fisher, Nashville; Rand Hoch, West Palm Beach; Eric Rofes, San Francisco; Abby Rubinfeld, Nashville; Robert Flores Saenz, New York; Curtis Shepard, Los Angeles; Jim Thomas, St. Louis; and Angela Van Patten, Chicago.▼

Governor urges bill to prevent suicide

Massachusetts Lieutenant Governor Paul Cellucci urged the Legislature to pass the "gay and Lesbian Services Bill (H.3238).

The initial project would be to design programs to prevent gay youth from committing suicide -- now estimated at about 30 percent of youth suicides nationally.

H.3238 has already received unanimous approval from the House Committee on Human Services and Elderly Affairs. The bill is due to come to the floor of the Massachusetts House.▼

Global prestige at stake as medical agency face "brain drain"

The National Institute of Health, a vital key to U.S. leadership in biomedical research, is having massive obstacles to research and development. Uncompetitive salaries, budget restraints, and govern-

ment red tape are all elements adding to serious morale problems.

The NIH is well known for its scientific breakthroughs and Nobel prizes that come out of its institutes. Certain bans are cutting off promising avenues of study for many major health and medical issues. The institute is facing certain "brain drain" if these issues of salary, bureaucracy, and budget constraints are not resolved.▼

Pride Parade to be broadcast nationwide

On Sunday, June 23, the L.A. Gay and Lesbian Pride Parade, will be telecast across the nation via satellite.

Parents coalition to meet in Texas

An estimated 300 parents and children are expected at the 12th annual conference of The Gay and Lesbian Parents Coalition International (GLPCI) in Houston, Texas June 14-16.

The youth conference (ages 13 through adults) is called "Just For Us" and is organized and administered by the youth.

The parent's conference will consist of workshops that will cover adoption, foster parenting, coparenting, legal issues, parents without access to their children, dealing with ex-spouses, how to organize a support group and other topics.

For information: Box 50360, Washington, DC 20091, 202-583-8029.▼

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Saturday 1

Music by Joey presents "Ladies Nitel" Club Shangri-La, 6339 Mack Rd., \$5, 9pm-2am; 427-5713.

AIDS Walk, 10am, West Steps, Capitol; 552-6767.

Massage Awareness Day, McKinley Park, 10am-4pm, \$5.

"We're On A Contract For Hire," Sacramento Women's Center, 2306 J St., #200; 8am; 441-4207.

Sacramento Men's Chorus, Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, 2620 Capitol Ave., 8pm; tickets \$6/adv. \$8/door, available The Gifted Gardener, Lambda Center & Sacramento Comm. Theater.

San Francisco Opera Mozart Festival "Die Zauberflöte", 8pm; War Memorial Opera House, S.F. 415-864-3330.

YWCA workshop: "Beyond S.T.R.E.S.S.", 10am-3pm; \$35/members; \$40/non-members; 442-4741.

YWCA workshop: "Home-Based Business: An Alternative", 9am-4pm, 1122 17th St.; pre-registration required; 442-4741.

Sunday 2

"Celebration of Prosperity," The Church of Enthusiasm & Joy, 7pm, every Sunday; Potluck soial 6pm every Sunday; 456-5685 or 489-7503.

San Francisco Opera Mozart Festival "Le Nozze Di Figaro", 1:30pm; War Memorial Opera House, S.F. 415-864-3330.

Gay Softball League: Wreck Room vs. Faces 12noon; Mercantile vs. TownHouse 2pm, 21st & C, Sac.

FTM (Female to Male) Closed Group, J.A.G., Box 1895, Sac. 95866.

Dan Fogelberg, 7:30pm, Concord Pavilion, 923-BASS.

Monday 3

Women's Rap Group, "Movie Night" 7pm, Lambda Comm. Center, 442-0185.

Trailhead Business Meeting, 7pm, 455-8459 info.

Men's Coming Out Group, Lambda Center, 5:30pm; 442-0185.

NA, 8pm, Lambda Center; 442-0185.

Ballroom/Western Dance minicourse for lesbian/gay community. John Batchelor 453-8991.

Tuesday 4

"Heart-to-Heart," every Tuesday 6:30pm, SAF Training Space; 448-2437.

San Francisco Opera Mozart Festival "Die Zauberflöte", 8pm; War Memorial Opera House, S.F. 415-864-3330.

New Beginnings Land Trust, 1211 H St., 6pm; info 441-0749.

Wednesday 5

"Are You on the Right Train?" Sacramento Women's Network monthly luncheon, 11:30am; 448-8203 for reservations.

"Diet & Nutrition: Strategies for Maximizing Your Health," CARES, 7pm; 443-3299.

UCD Presents The Jeffrey Ballet, 8pm, Sac. Comm. Center Theater; \$18-\$33.50; tickets 752-1915, 442-7827, 923-BASS; thru June 7.

Thursday 6

Paranormal Phenomena, 7pm, Church of Enthusiasm & Joy, 456-5685, 589-7503 for reservations.

Healthy Living Series "For the Caregiver: Dealing with Dementia," 7pm, Sacramento AIDS Foundation; 448-2437.

San Francisco Opera Mozart Festival "Le Nozze Di Figaro", 7:30pm; War Memorial Opera House, S.F. 415-864-3330.

Friday 7

The MENS Session, SAF, 7pm, 448-2437.

"Healing Alternatives," A Positive Approach, 8pm, every Friday, St. Francis Chapel, 26th St. betw. K and L; Steve 682-4737.

San Francisco Opera Mozart Festival "Die Zauberflöte", 8pm; War Memorial Opera House, S.F. 415-864-3330.

Russian River Campout, Schoolhouse Canyon Campground; Trailhead, 371-4822.

Saturday 8

CAP PAC Dinner, Guest speaker: Honorable Thomas Campbell, United States Congressman, \$75/person; 739-8020 RSVP.

"Home Alone: Everything You Wanted To Know About A Home Based Business," Sacramento Women's Center, 2306 J St., #200; 441-4207.

Sunday 9

Metaphysical Show, Church of Enthusiasm & Joy, 12noon, 2755 Cottage Way, #11, free; 456-5685, 489-7503.

Trailhead Chapter Meeting, School House Canyon, Russian River, 12noon.



Tom Campbell, U.S. Representative as well as candidate for U.S. Senate will speak at the third annual CAP/PAC dinner, June 8 at the Sacramento Community Center

San Francisco Opera Mozart Festival "Le Nozze Di Figaro", 1:30pm; War Memorial Opera House, S.F. 415-864-3330.

Gay Softball League: Faces vs. Mercantile 12noon; Wreck Room vs. Town House 2pm, 21st & C, Sac.

B.B. King & John Lee Hooker, Concord Pavilion, 7pm, 923-BASS.

Monday 10

Women's Rap Group, "Italian Potluck," bring an Italian dish to share, 7pm, Lambda Comm. Center, 442-0185.

S.E.S.A. Sports Festival, Atlanta, 404-875-0700.

Tuesday 11

Town Council Meeting, election of officers, RLDS Church Blvd., 2331 K St., 7:30pm.

Sac. Lesbians Creating Change (SLCC) Election of Officers. All lesbians invited! Location: Mary Smith 395-0428.

Wednesday 12

Mysticism and Spiritual Dynamics, lecture by Karen Arkus, Church of Enthusiasm & Joy, \$15; 456-5685, 489-7503.

Thursday 13

In and Out of Body Experience, lecture, Church of Enthusiasm & Joy, \$15; 456-5685 or 489-7503 reservations.

San Francisco Opera Mozart Festival "Die Zauberflöte", 8pm; War Memorial Opera House, S.F. 415-864-3330.

Friday 14

Judy Fjell with Crystal Reeves, 8pm, The Palms, tickets available at BASS outlets.

San Francisco Opera "Cosi Fan Tutte", 8pm, 415-864-3330.

Legislature: Last day for policy committee hearings prior to July 1

Saturday 15

LAMBDA FREEDOM FAIR, 10am, McKinley Park; 442-0185.

BMX presents "Pre Summer Jam," Club Shangri-La, 9pm-2am, \$5 cover; Music by Joey, 487-0439, 482-9127.

Judy Fjell with Crystal Reeves, Berkeley Freight & Salvage, 8:30pm, 415-548-1761.

Sacramento Master Singers, 8pm, Westminster Presbyterian Church, 1300 N St., \$6, 972-9886, 925-3159.

San Francisco Opera Mozart Festival "Le Nozze Di Figaro", 7:30pm; War Memorial Opera House, S.F. 415-864-3330.

White Water Rafting Trip, Trailhead; \$195 + \$50 dep.; 361-8668.

Common Sense Dog Training: Beginning, 8:30am; Puppies, 9:45am; Advanced Puppies, 11am; Intermediate, 12:15; Trick Class, 1pm - 6424 Sutter Ave; Joan Guertin 485-2201.

Legislature: Budget must be passed by midnight.

Sac. Lesbians Creating Change (SLCC), 7pm, Sac. AIDS Foundation Bd. Rm., 2nd floor, 442-0185.

Sunday 16

First Lesbian/Gay Freedom Day Parade and Festival in Fresno, 10am in the Tower District: Olive Ave. to Palm Ave. to Fulton St.

San Francisco Opera Mozart Festival "Die Zauberflöte", 2pm; War Memorial Opera House, S.F. 415-864-3330.

Gay Softball League: Wreck Room vs. Faces 12noon; Mercantile vs. TownHouse 2pm, 21st & C, Sac.

Jimmy Buffett, Concord Pavilion, 4pm, 923-BASS.

KQED celebrates Gay & Lesbian Pride Month - "Coming of Age," Ch. 9, 8pm; "The Naked Civil Servant," 10pm; "Another Country," 11:20pm.

Monday 17

Pony Express returns to Old Sac; 2:45pm, info: 443-7815.

Women's Rap Group, "Substance Abuse Among Lesbians," 7pm, Lambda Comm. Center, 442-0185.

RCDC meeting, Sierra 2 Center, 24th St. & 4th Ave.

Luciano Pavarotti in Concert, benefit for S.F. Opera & Shanti Project, Mt. Zion AIDS Research & Project Open Hand, Cow Palace, S.F.; 1-800-552-6168.

KQED celebrates Gay & Lesbian Pride Month - "Coming of Age," Ch. 9, 10:30pm "The Naked Civil Servant," 12:30am.

Tuesday 18

PFLAG meeting, 7:30pm, Christian Education Bldg., St. Marks United Methodist Church, 2391 Lusk Ave., Sac. Rap session with Will Green, M.D.

P.O.V.: "Absolutely Positive," 10pm, KQED.

"The Basics of Early HIV Medical Intervention," CARES, 7pm; 443-3299.

San Francisco Opera "Cosi Fan Tutte", 8pm, 415-864-3330.

Lambda U "Waltzing al, n a2, n a3" 7pm, Contemporary & Country Western, Lambda Center; 442-0185.

The Music of Andrew Lloyd Webber, Concord Pavilion, 8pm, 923-BASS.

Common Sense Dog Training: Beginning, 10am; Beginning, 6:30pm; Puppies, 6:30; Advanced Puppies, 7:30; Intermediate, 7:30 - Curtis Park; Joan Guertin 485-2201.

KQED celebrates Gay & Lesbian Pride Month - "Another Country," 12:30am.

Wednesday 19

San Francisco Opera Mozart Festival "Le Nozze Di Figaro", 7:30pm; War Memorial Opera House, S.F. 415-864-3330.

KQED celebrates Gay & Lesbian Pride Month - "The Creative Mind: Marlon Riggs, Part 1," Ch. 9, 7:30pm.

Thursday 20

San Francisco Opera "Cosi Fan Tutte", 8pm, 415-864-3330.

Common Sense Dog Training: Puppies, 6pm; Beginning, 6:30; Advanced Puppies, 7:40 - 6424 Sutter; Joan Guertin 485-2201.

Friday 21

International Lesbian & Gay Film Festival, thru June 30; info: Frameline 415-861-5245.

San Francisco Opera Mozart Festival "Le Nozze Di Figaro", 7:30pm; War Memorial Opera House, S.F. 415-864-3330.

Legislature: Last day for Fiscal Committees to report bills prior to July 1; Last day for any committee to meet prior to July 1.

Saturday 22

San Francisco Opera Mozart Festival "Die Zauberflöte", 8pm; War Memorial Opera House, S.F. 415-864-3330.

California Symphony, Concord Pavilion, 8pm, 923-BASS.

Sunday 23

Lesbian/Gay Pride Picnic, "Music in the Park," 12noon, Kaiser Community Park, Windsor; info: 707-528-6244; guests: Barbara Boxer, Mike Thompson, Tom Nolan.



Freedom Fair

June 15, 1991

McKinley Park

Art Attack & Auction Reception for Contributors. Info: 441-5494.

Gay Softball League: Faces vs. Town House 12noon; Wreck Room vs. Mercantile 2pm, 21st & C, Sac.

KQED celebrates Gay & Lesbian Pride Month - "Salut Victor!" Ch. 9, 10pm; "My Beautiful Laundrette," 11:30pm.

Monday 24

Women's Rap Group, "Naughty Lesbians Adult Erotica/Toy Exhibit & Sales Party," 7pm, Lambda Comm. Center, 442-0185.

Tuesday 25

KQED celebrates Gay & Lesbian Pride Month - "Andre's Mother," Ch. 9, 8pm.

Wednesday 26

San Francisco Opera "Cosi Fan Tutte", 8pm, 415-864-3330.

KQED celebrates Gay & Lesbian Pride Month - "The Creative ind: Marlon Riggs, Part 2," Ch. 9, 7:30pm; "Out Front '91" 9pm; "Out in America," 10pm; "Metamorphosis: Man into Woman," 11pm.

Thursday 27

Sac. Lesbians Creating Change (SLCC), 7pm, Sac. AIDS Foundation Bd. Rm., 2nd floor, 442-0185.

Friday 28

San Francisco Opera "Lucio Silla," 8pm, 415-864-3330.

Chicago Midwest Pride Sport & Cultural Festival, 708-323-8583.

Legislature: Last day for Assembly to pass Assembly bills or Senate to pass Senate bills.

KQED celebrates Gay & Lesbian Pride Month - "Radio Craze," Ch. 9, 9pm; "Olivia Records' 15th Anniversary," 10:30pm; "Andre's Mother," Ch. 9, 11:40pm.

Saturday 29

RCDC Yard Sale Fundraiser, 7am-2pm, McKinley Park; to donate items: Ed, 682-8948.

Reservations for Lifestyle Diversity Camp (July 19-21), Tunnel Mill Group Campsite, Emigrant Gap; \$15/person; Reservations to Box 6630 Reno, NV 89513-6630.

Romanovsky & Phillips, 8:30pm, The Palms, tickets available at BASS.

Trailhead Country Western Dance/BBQ, Beach Lake Preserve in Freeport, 12noon361-8668.

San Francisco Opera "Cosi Fan Tutte", 8pm, 415-864-3330.

Physique '91, San Francisco, 415-431-6254.

The Nylons, Concord Pavilion, 8pm, 923-BASS.

Sunday 30

SAN FRANCISCO LESBIAN/GAY FREEDOM DAY PARADE & CELEBRATION; 415-864-3733.

GALLERIES

California Arts Council Gallery - "Czech Introspective," June 6-July 3; Reception June 6 5:30-7:30pm; 739-3186.

Cartoon Art Museum - "Electronic Comics & Computer Art" thru September 14; 415-546-9481.

Crocker Art Museum - 66th Annual Crocker-Kingsley Exhibition thru June 6; Artful Deception: The Craft of the Forger.

Michael Himovitz Gallery (Downtown) - Michael Bishop, Julian Faulkner, Saroj - thru June 15; 448-8723.

Michael Himovitz Gallery (Pavilions) - Roland Peterson - thru June 15; 925-5917.

Lioness Bookstore - Women to Women's Art Show and Sale - June 16-July 8; 893-2063.

Lite Rail Gallery - Guy Colwell June 1-29.

Josie's Cabaret and Juice Joint - Queer Pix by Rick Gerharter - June 1-30; Opening Reception: June 5; 415-861-7933.

Shenandoah Gallery - "Summer Show" thru July 29; Works by Carol Attio, Suzan Goodban, Barbara Milman; 209-245-4455.

THEATRE

Carmichael Civic Theatre - Steppin Out, Dance Theatre West in Concert - thru June 1; Once Upon A Mattress - June 28-July 20; Pal Joey - Oct. 18-Nov. 30; 489-6880.

Foothill Theatre Co. - Master Harold ... and the Boys - thru June 1; Till Death Do Us Part - Sept. 13-14; 265-8587. Garbeau's Dinner Theatre - On Golden Pond - thru June 8; You're A Good Man Charlie Brown - June 14-July 20; 985-6361.

Garbeau's Dinner Theatre - You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown - June 14-July 20; Monday Night Concert Series - Strunz & Farah - June 3; Tom Borton - July 1; David Becker Tribune - July 29; Windows - August 19; 985-6361.

The Lambda Players - Progressions, June 1-15; 442-0185.

Miriam Gray's Acting Studio - Noises Off - thru May 31-June 22; Burnt Fields - thru June 22; 443-3188.

Music Circus - Madame Butterfly June 26-30; The Music Man July 8-14; Little Me - July 15-21; Joseph & The Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat - July 22-28; Me & My Girl - July 20-August 4; Sweet Charity August 5-11; La Cage Aux Folles - August 12-18; Sophisticated Ladies - August 19-25; Grand Hotel - August 27-Sept. 1; 446-5880.

Sacramento Theatre Company - All My Sons - September 13-October 6; A Raisin in the Sun - October 25-November 17; How to Succeed in Business without Really Trying - December 6-January 5, 1992; The fifth of July - January 24-February 16, 1992; Latins Anonymous - March 6-29, 1992; At the Still Point - April 24-May 17; 443-6722.

The Show Below - For Colored Girls Who Have Considered Suicide/When the Rainbow is Enuf - thru May 31-June 9; 446-3042.

Theatre Rhinoceros - Global Riot - June 14-29; Drag Queens in Outer Space - June 29-August 3; 415-861-5079.

Stagedoor Comedy Playhouse - Run for Your Wife - thru June 29; 927-0942.

Gay Pride Parades

L.A. June 23, 1991

S.F. June 30, 1991

San Francisco Opera "Cosi Fan Tutte", 2pm, 415-864-3330.

1st Annual PurePet Showcase of Champions & Fun Match, Contra Costa County Fairgrounds, \$7 pre-entry fee, \$9 day of match; 415-481-8174.

San Francisco Opera "La Finta Giardiniera", 2pm, 415-864-3330.

San Francisco Opera "Lucio Silla," 7pm, 415-864-3330.

The Judds, Concord Pavilion, 7:30pm, 923-BASS.